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Eight-Page Telegraph On Monday

Starting on Monday next, April 5, the Hongkong Telegraph becomes an eight-page paper, packed with new and exclusive features, world and local news and sports.

In order to make it possible to present local news of the day, the Telegraph will be published later than at present.

It will be on the streets at 3 p.m. instead of 11.30 a.m.

Here are some of the new features of the new Telegraph:

- A daily page of sports, both local and international.
- A daily page of world pictures, including the up-to-the-minute AP Wirephoto service.
- New entertainment for the home, with a daily horoscope, fashions, household hints, home medical advice, a special series on child psychology and travel tales.

Children's Section

- For the children—a section for themselves containing serial stories, puzzles, games, and the popular adventure strip, "Red Ryder."

- For businessmen, the Telegraph will be carrying latest Hongkong share market reports and quotations as well as the London and New York market reports.

In addition to all this, the Telegraph will continue to offer its present favourite features of bridge, chess, Dumb-Balls, Side Glances, crossword puzzle, "Lows" and "Gloss" world-famous cartoons, Benchcomber's "By the Way," and on Wednesday, "Nat Gubbins" "Sitting on the Fence."

The new eight-page Telegraph will be published every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

On Saturday next the news and magazine Telegraph, which has become indispensable weekend reading, will be increased to 14 pages, including a special six-page art paper "Pictorial and Magazine" section.

BIG CACHE OF ARMS FOUND

Rome, Apr. 2.—Hidden stores of arms estimated sufficient to equip a battalion of men were uncovered by motorised troops in raids about the approaches to Rome today.

Between 30 and 40 persons identified as Communists were arrested.

—Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

The Government Replies

ON the whole, Government's replies to the Unofficials' comments and criticisms of the Estimates were convincing. In one or two instances background information and explanations served to correct some erroneous impressions, as for example the cost of maintaining prisoners in Stanley Gaol, the restrictive conditions attached to inoculation certificates, and the role which S.T. and I. plays in the allocation of sea food business. Certain other points of criticism were only partly met, and the public must rest content with a promise of future action with respect to the development of bathing pools and beaches, reduction in expenditure for the operation and maintenance of Government vehicles, and the provision of adequate facilities for dealing with Tuberculosis. Government's customary defence for absorbing surplus capital into general revenue was trotted out and is logical enough, but not altogether convincing. There is nothing to show that Government works on more of a cash basis than ordinary private companies which, however, find it practical to set aside capital reserve funds. The Financial Secretary made it fairly plain that Government would frown on any attempt to make it introduce a new form of accountancy. On the subject of roads and children's playgrounds the D.F.W. relied once again on the plea of materials shortage—a difficult subject on which to argue. Some money has been set aside for rehabilitating playgrounds and public interest will centre on how these funds are allocated. It is to be hoped they are not earmarked for a single big scheme which can only bring benefit to one part of the Colony. It is appreciated that under the present abnormal circumstances road repairs in Kow-

Soviets Preparing For Troop Manoeuvres CONCENTRATIONS NEAR US ZONE

Berlin, Apr. 2.—Soviet occupation troops in Germany are preparing for large-scale manoeuvres in the next few weeks, the French licensed news-paper, Kurier, reported here tonight.

Large numbers of Soviet troops, mainly young soldiers, were passing through the railway junction of Seddin, 60 miles northwest of Berlin, on their way to Thuringia, which borders the United States Zone, the paper said.

A considerable concentration of Russian tank units has also been observed round the town of Meiningen, some 15 miles from the zonal border, the paper added.

A British spokesman here tonight called "absolute nonsense" reports that planes were standing by at Gallow Airport in the British sector of Berlin to evacuate British women and children from the city.

"No such preparations have been made and no such step has been considered," he stated.

At attempt by the Russians to control air traffic to Berlin was forecast here today by quarters in contact with Soviet officials as Allied passenger traffic with the West came to a complete standstill.

American planes on the "air bridge"—operating to beat the Soviet control of road and rail traffic—were reaching Berlin at frequent intervals throughout the day, while British and French were going ahead with plans for developing their own air traffic.

TRAINS AT STANDSTILL

France today followed Britain and the United States in switching to air transport after cancelling the military train service between Berlin and the French Zone and between Berlin and Paris.

While passenger train services were brought to a complete standstill, goods trains were still reaching Berlin, and traffic was on the move

along the great Autobahn linking Berlin with the British Zone.

Between 30 and 40 railway wagon goods of food—the Western Zone commitment for feeding Berlin—have reached the city in the last 24 hours and a further 100 are in transit.

United States officials said today that their plans to supply their forces in Berlin by air were not yet fully working and more planes were expected to be flying tomorrow.

The Rhein main airfield at Frankfurt hummed with activity today on the departure of 10 Dakotas laden with passengers and supplies. The planes carried between 100 and 200 passengers who normally would have gone by train.

Commercial airlines announced they were planning extra flights to accommodate the overflow of passengers unable to use American Army transport.

PEOPLE UNEXCITED

Berliners today showed much less excitement about the developments than has been shown abroad, despite continued reports of Soviet troop movements in the areas around the city.

The people, riding to work as usual in overcrowded trams and crowded electric trains, today showed few signs of nervousness and barely scanned the glaring headlines in their newspapers.

Thousands of Germans, including women carrying babies, crowded the Autobahn leading through the Soviet Zone into the American sector of the capital.

Having interrupted their trek yesterday to see the effects of the new Soviet traffic regulations, they apparently decided in the absence of any incidents to "resume" their journey.

Several hundred Germans who had succeeded in bypassing the new Soviet check point at Nowawes, just outside Berlin, by leaving the highway and travelling through the woods, were rounded up today by Soviet troops armed with tommy guns.

They were marched under guard to the nearest Soviet barracks where they will be "sentenced" to peel potatoes for three or four weeks as a penalty for trying to evade the Soviet document check.

A special 5,000 strong German frontier police unit had been formed to guard the Soviet border, Kurier also reported, from Magdeburg, today.

RUSSIANS DIG IN

Reports from Hanover tonight said fresh Russian troops have dug three trenches, each 10 feet broad and 100 yards long, on the main road outside Eichenberg, between Kassel and Goettingen, at the junction of the British and American Zones.

The Russians have dispensed with light wooden barriers, the reports added.

"Whole streets" in Wernigerode, Northern Hartz, have been emptied of inhabitants to make way for Soviet troops, other reports said.

Two thousand five hundred such fresh troops have arrived there this morning, they added.

In the neighbourhood of Salzwedel, on the Berlin-Bremen main road, Russian sentries have been posted about 150 metres apart. Wooden observation towers in the Hartz district were being strongly manned by Soviet forces and were being increased.

Fugitives from the Eastern Zone stated that railway tickets were not being issued to stations within 10 miles of the border, and people are only allowed to proceed further if they can prove that they live in the border area.

Villages just across the border now appear to have garrisons of about 80 Soviet soldiers, smaller hamlets having between 20 and 80.

—Reuters.



Looking near are the Italian general elections the result of which is expected to decide whether Italy remains with the Western bloc or becomes another satellite of Russia. Top picture shows Premier de Gasperi addressing 70,000 people in the public square at Bologna, and below, Luigi Longo, Secretary of the Italian Communist party, declares at an election rally in Rome.—AP Wirephoto.

WESTERN POWERS CALLED ROBBERS & PLUNDERERS

Berlin, Apr. 2.—The breakup of the four-power Allied Kommandatura of Berlin appeared underway tonight when, after a series of strong charges that the Western powers had robbed and plundered Berlin, the Soviet delegate announced that the Russians could no longer participate in the work of the Kommandatura's six key committees.

Exchanges in the meeting grew acrimonious as the Soviet deputy commander, Colonel Yelizarov, had made his accusations of plundering.

Making his accusations against the Allies at today's meeting of the four deputy commanders, the Russian delegate said the Western powers had robbed Berlin of 1,000 tons of aluminium, 1,000 tons of copper and a complete printing plant.

The French, he said, had stripped the whole French zone of its industrial plants.

"This has got to stop," the colonel shouted. "I demand it!"

The British delegate, Brigadier C. R. Benson, saying the Allies had found Berlin in a wilderness because the Russians had taken factories, materials and machinery, said: "I realise there is a particular motive in this and this statement lies in with the inexplicable and sudden Soviet control of transport."

The meeting broke up, after acrimonious exchanges.

SHARP U.S. RETORT

The Russian delegate's charges were answered hotly by the British and French representatives and the American chairman of the meeting.

The American deputy commander, William Babcock, said: "You Soviets have hit an all-time low. It is incredible that you Soviets, who have plundered Berlin of practically everything that existed in the city, should accuse us of such acts."

The French deputy commander completely supported these remarks. Brigadier Benson, the British deputy, also backed up Babcock's remarks. "When we came to Berlin, we found it a wilderness," he said.

"There were no factories, no materials, no machinery—because the Russians have taken it all. I will not sit here and hear such malicious and untrue statements from the Soviet delegate."

The Soviet delegate replied: "I can prove you have been robbing Berlin. At the next meeting I will give

Prelude To Elections

INTERPORTERS HOBBLE BACK FROM SAIGON

(By The Sports Editor)

A half-dozen members of Hongkong's Interport soccer team who returned yesterday from the Saigon trip hobbled off the Air France plane that brought them up here from the Cochinchina capital.

On the injured list are Bertie Gosano, right-back, with a swollen ankle, Tsang Chung-wan, left back, who had been booted in the stomach, Farvin, left-half, with a strained thigh muscle, Leonard, with a swollen knee, F. A. Fowler, with a badly swollen shin, A. J. Hussain, suffering from blood-poisoning, and Leck, the goalie, who had been kicked in the ribs.

Socially, the team had a good time to have Choy rally and catch up at 3-1.

Salmon merchant and football enthusiast, by Mr. Cuong, the Cochinchina Minister of Sports and Recreation, and by the Chinese Council.

On the field, they were five down after the first game. The Interport proper, played at the French Club Stadium, was won 2-1 by Hongkong.

In the second game all five reserves were fielded with Gosano, Tsang, Leonard, Fowler and Leck on the injured list. A selected Saigon team beat Hongkong that day by seven goals to nil.

The third game, played against a Saigon Military team, was won 5-0 by Hongkong. Fowler netted all five.

Tennis Championship

CLEVER WIN FOR JONES

Choy Beaten By Courtcraft

The game between the Australian, B.T.M. Jones, and Choy Tin-wah on Court 1 was the main attraction in the second round of the Colony Open Singles Tennis Tournament at the HKCC yesterday evening. Jones took the game at 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.

Other games attracted a handful of spectators as the gallery turned its attention to the former Victoria State Schools Open Champion who, though years removed from his peak, showed good all round form and, occasionally, some good stroke play.

Jones played a confident game. Choy, at times as classy, was game all through. His strokes tended more to the stylish than the effective and he let go many a valuable point storming the net a shade too early.

Jones had more court craft and his advances to the net were well timed. His kills nearly always effective. On the defensive, he was not as steady as Choy but his good placing kept him the initial role through much of the volleying.

CHOY TURNS CAUTIOUS

Going down 3-6 in the first set, Choy steadied up in the second to lead 4-2. More cautious in advances to the net he played a good volleying game from the base line, his best stroke a neat backhand cut to the far corner. As the set progressed both players seemed to tire and some spotty play saw Choy keep his lead to take the set at 6-4.

Jones took the first two games in the third set, conceding one on his opponent's service, then led 3-1 only

At this stage Jones was again playing confidently and looked a winner as he took the seventh game on Choy's service. He took the next set well to lead 5-3 but Choy rallied once more to take a game only to concede match point in the next without a deuce being called.

Jones was Victoria State Schools Open Champion in 1934. He had experience of first class tennis for only a short period after leaving school and practically none of it in the last few years. He entered the Colony Open Singles last year but withdrew from the tournament after the first round.

Other second round games yesterday were won in straight sets. Results were:

S. A. Rumlahn beat K. M. Getz 6-3, 6-3.

Kenneth Lo beat Thomas Lo 6-2, 6-3.

Chinese Olympic Soccer Selectors Here

The Chinese Olympic Football team will be selected next week, probably at a meeting to be convened for this coming Tuesday.

Dr. C. T. Wang, who heads the Committee arranging for the selection and financing of China's Olympic team, has come down here from Manila and Dr. C. C. Yung, who is to manage the football team, was also an arrival here yesterday from Shanghai.

Original plans for the Chinese Football team had envisaged an Australian, New Zealand and South American Tour before the London Games.

It was reliably learned yesterday that plans for the South American tour have been abandoned. The Australian and New Zealand tour is still likely and will probably commence with a game in Brisbane early next month.

In place of the South American tour visits are being considered to India and Ceylon.

The greater part of the Chinese team is likely to be selected from Hongkong players. Shanghai and Malaya are also almost certain of representation.

It is believed that a number of probable selectors may decline the trip, leave from jobs held locally being a difficult problem when calling for an absence of nearly five months.

World sports news on Page 12

Aid Bill Goes To White House For Signature

Washington, Apr. 2.—The United States Congress today sent the \$6,098 million foreign aid bill to the White House for President Truman's signature.

President Truman is expected to act swiftly. The Senate approval of the aid measure, by a voice vote, completed the Congressional action.

A few hours earlier, the House of Representatives had passed it by 318 votes to 57.

The Senate agreed to accept the House plan combining all foreign aid in one bill.

The legislation went to the President just three months after the first call on Congress to approve the recovery programme.

Its final passage came a week ahead of the timetable set up by Congressional leaders.

Miners To Work Longer

London, Apr. 2.—By a large majority, about 150 delegates representing Britain's miners, agreed in London today to continue the extended hours agreement until April 9, 1949.

Collieries will choose whether to work Saturday shift or extra half-hour weekdays.

The recommendation has come from the Executive of the National Union of Mineworkers and followed a request to the union by the National Coal Board.

Mr. Will Lawther, the Mineworkers' President, told a reporter after the conference that some Yorkshire winding engineers had threatened to put in strike notices, but the conference had asked them not to as any stoppage would retard a settlement.—Reuters.

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Questionnaire for STEWART GRANGER

EVER since he was acclaimed as a new discovery in 1943, Stewart Granger's popularity has increased by leaps and bounds. But he has always resisted the idea of becoming a conventional matinee idol. Glamour publicity is not for him. On many occasions he has shown himself able and willing to speak plainly about his job in films. In consequence, his fan-mail contains an increasing number of questions from discerning cinema-goers. Here are a few of the more pertinent ones, together with his answers—

Have you any favourite character in a play or book which you would like to play?

No; I know the type of character I like playing and should recognise this when reading a script, providing, of course, the script is a good one.

Do you think it advisable for a star to stick to one type of character? I am thinking of your violent departure from 'hero' parts, when you played the pin-table king in "Waterloo Road"?

No; I think a star should be given the opportunity of playing a variety of characters from the "hero" to the "villain," and he should include in his range both drama and comedy. But, and I think this is very important, it is not a good thing for an actor to be suddenly transformed from the familiar figure the cinema-going public expect, to a character, bearded and aged for instance, in order to portray yet another "type."

WE have come to expect a high standard of intelligence from British films. In your opinion, can this be maintained and improved or must we lower it in order to capture world markets? It is of the greatest importance that this high standard, which we have come to expect from British films, should not only be maintained, but also improved. I can see no reason why we should lower our standard to capture world markets. Experience has already shown that the public are ready and willing to accept films which are both intelligent and entertaining. Certainly there is no need to talk down to the public of today.

IN interpreting a character, do you think an actor should use his own judgment or place himself entirely in the hands of the director? What happens in practice? This question depends entirely on relative circumstances. It varies considerably according to the type of film, the quality of the script, the personality of the director and the temperament of the star. Above all the star and the director should have the utmost confidence in each other. In this way the star's interpretation of the character will correspond with the director's interpretation of the script.

DO you consider stage plays good screen material? How, for instance, do they compare with novels? Usually stage plays do not make good screen material. For obvious reasons they lack "action," which is the essence of good cinema. A film should tell its story and infer its mood visually rather than by long wordy discourses.

IN general, do you think that the Theatre is the best training ground for a film actor? In particular, did your own experience in Repertory have any direct bearing on your present success? I think it is essential for a film actor to have had a basic training in the Theatre. It is in the training in Repertory that the star gains how to make the best of his lines and his part. You cannot waste a company's time costing perhaps £4 a minute with would-be actors who lack both experience and training.

Stewart Granger was born in London on May 6, 1913. Educated at Epsom College and trained at the Webber-Douglas School of Dramatic Art, he started his acting career in 1931. From 1934 to 1936 he was playing leading parts at the Birmingham Repertory Theatre. Notable appearances on the West End stage with Vivien Leigh, Flora Robson and Lilian Braithwaite were followed, in 1938, by his film debut in "So This is London." Stewart Granger is married to actress Elisabeth March. They have two children: a boy, Jamie, aged three, and a girl, Lindsay, aged one and a half. Films include: "The Man in Grey," "Waterloo Road," "Caesar and Cleopatra," "Caravan," "Captain Boycott," "Blanche Fury" and "Saraband for Dead Lovers."



John Mills says No to Hollywood

by STEPHEN WATTS

STAR TEAM



The modern problem of a marital break-up when husband and wife are separated by the war is the theme of "Vacation from Marriage," the King's week-end film. Robert Donat, of "Mr Chips" fame, plays the husband, with the noted British actress, Deborah Kerr, as the wife.

THEATRE Directory

KING'S—Vacation From Marriage (Robert Donat, Deborah Kerr).
QUEEN'S—California (Ray Milland, Barbara Stanwyck).
LEE—Red Stallion (Robert Paige, Noreen Nash).
CENTRAL—Blood and Sand (Tyrone Power, Linda Darnell).
ORIENTAL—Two Years Before the Mast (Alan Ladd, Brian Donlevy).
CATHAY—Beau Geste (Gary Cooper, Ray Milland).
ALHAMBRA—California.
MAJESTIC—The Swordsman (Larry Parks, Ellen Drew).
STAR—Gunfighters (Randolph Scott, Barbara Britton).

DANGEROUS GAME



Barbara Stanwyck and Ray Milland are romantically teamed for the first time in the technicolor outdoor adventure film, "California," now showing at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

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YOU may have noticed that people who travel a lot by air are inclined to say it's boring. Let me tell you about a trip I've just made across Spain and see if you think the same.

We took off in our B.E.A. Viking from Gibraltar. The airport there is one of the wonders of aviation, for half of it is built in the sea.

There wasn't enough room in the colony for a modern runway, so they enlarged the British Empire slightly by filling in part of the sea with rock—the one thing in Gibraltar of which there's a surplus.



In a few seconds we are over Spain. The geography book I had at school starts off about Spain as follows: "The Iberian Peninsula is in shape an irregular pentagon with the longest side on the north and the shortest on the southwest..." which is no way to work up anyone's interest in a new country.

Seeing it from an airliner is different. You can't help getting interested. Underneath are

the town is on the Guadalquivir, a name you probably learned at school, along with the other rivers of Spain. Seville, noted for barbers and marmalade, is also on the Guadalquivir. One of the Moors who ruled Seville stocked his harem with the daughters of all the leading nobles in the town. Plenty of conquerors have made themselves at home by marrying into one good local family, but this one made sure and married into them all.

Now then, T.T.s, here are your orange groves. Those little dots that go in regular rows up one side of every hill and down the other, are the trees. There are so many thousands that if you stare at them for too long you get spots in front of the eyes and feel quite bilious. It's like looking at the earth through a screen.

You wouldn't think that such arid country could produce this lusciousness, but that's one of the compensations of Nature—the drier the land the more juicy the fruit. The people down there are not particularly rich but they're probably very healthy, because there's an old proverb which says you don't need a doctor in a house where there's orange peel lying about—and that's more than you can say of bananas.

of a capital city than most of the others in Europe today.

At night the lights are as bright as on Broadway, and the jewels and mink in the windows make the shops of Bond Street seem like village stores. In one shop I saw the works of Carlos Dickens in Spanish and a volume called "Antonio Adverse."

Wasted time? No!

FROM Madrid we should have flown north to Bordeaux, but the weather there was bad, so the pilot took us to Barcelona and out round the south of the Pyrenees.

Most of the passengers thought this was a frightful bore and waste of time, and they impatiently read their magazines as we flew over the heart of Spain. Yet all the while the country below was unfolding history in a way that no writing can do.

You had only to look down to understand why half of the New World speaks Spanish, for here, in European midland, were the canyons of Arizona, the ranges of Mexico, and the mountains of Peru. The conquering Spaniards took the realms of the Incas and Indians to their hearts, for they must have seemed home from home.

But the woman next to me saw none of this. She simply said: "How tedious flying can be."

CHILDREN'S ODEONS DOING GOOD WORK

— by — J. ARTHUR HANK

IT seems to me that in the present-day world nothing will keep the children away from the cinema; the only solution to the problem is to produce special films for children, and give performances to child-audiences. This conviction led me to the idea of the Saturday Cinema Club.

Australia, Canada, South Africa, Poland and Sweden.

Obviously it will take time before we can produce enough children's films to satisfy the weekly demand, but that is our ultimate object. Already, I think, the record is impressive. In our first year of production we made 18 films, all of short duration. In 1946, we made 45 films, which included three feature films, six series films and five serial films. Our production schedule for 1947 called for 74 films in all, which included eight feature films, six interest films and six series films.

'Series' And 'Serial'

Perhaps I should explain the difference between what we call a "series" film and a "serial" film, and the reason why we are producing the first rather than the second. The serial was a familiar feature to filmgoers of the silent days, and follows the same lines as a story, published in serial form. Each two-reel section—that is about twenty minutes—ends on a note of suspense, and tempts the audience to return to see the next section, and learn how the situation resolves itself. From the children's point of view, this is considered not altogether satisfactory.

Today there are 400 of these clubs in Britain with a membership of more than 400,000 children between the ages of seven and 14. In addition, the films we are making are available to about 600 Saturday shows organised by other cinema-owning companies.

Typical Morning

Let me give you some idea of a typical Saturday morning. Doors open at nine o'clock; well before that hour queues of children have formed outside the cinema. The children themselves provide traffic marshals, usually older children trained by the Police on "Safety First," who help other Club members across the road and look after the queues. When the doors open, the children pay their entrance money, usually sixpence (about a quarter of what their parents pay for the evening performance), but the children pay less in the poorer districts.

I should explain at this point that we make no profit from children's films. The only charge we make is sixpence or less for each performance, and the money collected is devoted to the expense of opening the cinema and to various club activities. Any balance is used to meet a part of the expenses of making special films for children.

The programme begins with community singing, a cartoon film and a recital of the Club promise. In this the children undertake to obey their parents, to be kind to animals, to honour the King and to try to make Britain a better country to live in. A non-fiction film may follow or "The Club Magazine," a film which portrays the activities of other children all over the world. A feature film concludes the programme, after an episode from a serial has been shown.

What They Love

Obviously, of this programme the most difficult films to provide are the serials and features. Before any special films were made for children all the feature films were carefully selected from the best subjects available, usually films which had completed their normal commercial screenings. Children love serial or series films, but there are very few suitable serials, and I will explain later the steps we have taken to deal with this problem.

Children's Education Films or C.E.F. as we call it, do not actually make the films. They select suitable subjects for filming. The approved story is then offered to a production company, which contracts to make it. In the selection of scripts and the supervision of production C.E.F. has the assistance of an Advisory Council under the chairmanship of Lady Allen of Hurtwood. On it are represented government departments and voluntary bodies interested in child welfare and education.

Since the war ended it has been possible to make films abroad. Production has been undertaken in

In Britain the serious problem facing us, which is too little appreciated, is the difficulty of employing child actors. By Act of Parliament it is illegal to employ children of school age in film-making, except during hours so restricted as to be generally impractical. As children love seeing other children of their own age on the screen, this poses a very difficult problem.

Christmas was only possible because no similar law exists in Australia, where regulations covering working conditions, welfare and education are considered adequate and are strictly enforced.

Children's films are making rapid progress, aided by research and the fact that the right directors for children's adventure films have now been found. C.E.F. believe that they have the best approach to this type of picture. They are making films of achievement in which children succeed in their undertakings. The next stage will be the filming of children's classics.

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

I READ the other day in a review of

Frederick Forsyth's "The Daylight Marriage" a review of a book by the same name. For instance, in "The Daylight Marriage" you may read: "Bl-w!" said Monica. "What a b-th-r it is!" "What's up?" queried Edna. "I've lost my r-i-t-n old hockey-stick!" replied Monica. "Sh!" vouchsafed Freda. "Here comes Miss Sharp, the old f-l-l!"

Saying of the week

I READ, as I was saying, a review of some poetry in literary supplement which convinced me that today the reviewers are as absurd as the poets. Here is what I have cut out for my collection:

Usually the flashes are of a descriptive nature, when he does succeed in making himself the poem, the poem the object it describes, and both of them move, as it were, in one skin—as in his poem about a mouse, though it is not in this collection:

with scuttling eyes rustle and run and hiddehede whisk

Mice don't wear hats I am one with the mouse in that poem.

As I hide myself under the mat, And there's only one thing to betray me— My little round wickerwork hat

In passing

THE admirable "Lucio" revealed the other day that Pierre Loti (who was a naval officer named Vlau) got his best ideas when he was up a tree, and so converted an attic in his house into an imitation tree-top.

I hope he installed a cuckoo among the branches. Loti wrote his Basque romance "Ramuntcho" in the very pleasant little Basque village of Ascan under the Rhune. He lived in the Hotel de la Rhune there for some time, and died not far away at Hendaye. I am probably the only man living who has leaped across the River Nivelle at Ascan to escape from a very boring smuggler from Hasparren.

If it rains, we smell it

Mr. Strachey is to be asked the percentage of whale meat in sausages. (News Item.)

THE question is whether, if sausages are more whale than horse, food officials may abandon their spurs while on tours of inspection.

(Monday: Moby Dick: a Tale of the Sausage Fisheries. Also reprinted: Borrow's "Wild Sausages.")

Snow-capped

A HUNDRED miles away on the right, clearly visible against the hard blue sky, is the Sierra Nevada. The tops gleam with snow, hence the name, for sierra means mountains in Spanish and nevada means snow.

One of the peaks is the highest mountain in Europe outside the Alps. It's 11,600 feet high and called Mulhacen. Never heard of it? Nor had I, to be honest.

When the Spaniards settled in California they called part of the Rocky Mountains the Sierra Nevada, and from them the State of Nevada was named.

Now let's ask the steward for a glass of sherry. If it's called Amontillado you can look down and see the very ground from which it came. The vines themselves don't show at this time of year because they have no leaves, but you can pick out the little town of Montilla, with its white walls and red roofs.

Round the hills are terraced with vineyards so that no scrap of the magic soil is wasted. You should lift your glass as you pass over and toast the unseen men and women below who work those blistering back-breaking slopes to produce such lovely stuff.

(If you don't drink you'll get your turn in a minute when we come to some orange country.)

Wine districts

SHERRY is named after the town of Jerez, which the Spaniards for some reason of their own pronounce Herreth. You can't think what they are talking about the first time you hear it.

You don't actually see Sherry-Jerez-Herreth on this trip because it is too far away to the left, but you almost pass over Cordoba, which is another centre for wine.

Cordoba doesn't look much of a place now, at least not from the air, but when the Moors ruled Spain a thousand years ago there were great goings on there. The mosque is supposed to be the finest outside Mecca, and one of the Moorish kings had 600 women in his harem and 12,000 troops to guard them.

Great plateau

THE orange groves begin to thin out, and the country grows brown and bare again. The houses are not so white and their roofs are not so red. Even from 7,000 feet there's not a tree in sight, for this is the edge of the meseta of Spain, the great plateau that covers an area twice the size of Britain.

It is something like the moon. By day there's no shelter from the sun, which burns in anything green the moment it appears, and at night it's so cold that they say in the north the winters are nine months long. Yet this same country produced one of the great races of the world, and a language that is still the mother tongue in a score of different lands.

The longer you look down on it the more fascinating it becomes. You know how a starling appears to be a drab, uniform black at first sight? Yet when you look more closely you find all the colours of the rainbow in its feathers and the iridescence of jewellery. It's the same with the meseta.

From our plane, a mile and a half above, the brown that seemed so uniform is seen on longer study to be the blending of a hundred shades of pink and purple.

Don Quixote de la Mancha came from these parts. La Mancha is a district a little to the right of our route. People who have been there by road say the windmills have disappeared, but that otherwise it is much the same as it was when Cervantes lived 300 years ago.

Cervantes wrote his own obituary, you know, and it included the information that "of teeth he had but six and those in bad condition and worse ranged, for they had no correspondence with each other."

The old capital

ONE of the places where the six-toothed Cervantes lived was Toledo, the next city on our way to Madrid for refuelling. Toledo used to be the capital of Spain, and for 2,000 years it was famous for its sword and armour. But they are both out of date now, and so is Toledo.

Shanghai's Russians Live In Daily Fear

By Ed Crighton (Associated Press Correspondent)

THE dream of many of Shanghai's estimated 8,000 White Russians today is to step off the gangplank at Buenos Aires, or some other Latin American port, and say: "South America, here I come!"

Life in Shanghai for them, never at any time pleasant since 1937, is now a matter of fighting grimly for existence and looking with dread at newspaper headlines telling of new Chinese Communist victories.

Many Russian immigrants fear that the fate which they escaped when they fled from the revolution over two decades ago will catch up with them should the Chinese Communists ever gain control of the city. They identify the Chinese Communists closely with the Moscow government.

SPECIAL TREATMENT

The White Russians felt that if the Reds should reach Shanghai their section of the community will be singled out for special treatment.

A number of officers of the White Russian army which fought during the revolution are still in Shanghai. They sense evil portents in news of Chinese Communist victories. Half-formed fears as to what might be their fate under the hands of the Reds make each day of their stay in Shanghai fraught with apprehension.

More than any other part of Shanghai's population, they seek to escape the city's present high cost of living together with an unemployment problem that hits them hardest, for some concerns are flimsy about employing any Russians, whether white or red. Added to this is the fear of what might happen to them in the event of the communisation of the area south of the Yangtze.

SOUTH AMERICA OPEN

As one former White officer puts it: "I have a good job here. Shanghai has been kind to me. But I fought for the Czar. If the Reds get here..."

He did not complete the sentence, but drew his forefingers across his throat and made an expressive sound.

Many are not so fortunate as to have a good job or any job at all. They find it difficult to obtain enough money, in a city shaken by violent inflation, to buy even the minimum quantities of a quarter pound of sugar, a half pound of bread or one-eighth pound of sausage, which shops how sell due to the reduced public purchasing power.

While emigration to the United States is out of the question for most Russian-immigrants in Shanghai, the South American countries present less difficulties.

The Sino-Russian Daily News, a White Russian paper in Shanghai, published an interview with Jose Ferrer, Venezuelan Minister to China, in which the diplomat declared that Russian emigrants would be welcome to his country.

With this, and other countries such as Argentina and Chile, the question of having approved guarantors already residing in those countries appears to be one of the major requirements for those planning to go there.

NEEDS MONEY

White Russian sources in Shanghai report that a Ukrainian group already resident in Buenos Aires has sufficient influence to help White Ukrainians to obtain their visas.

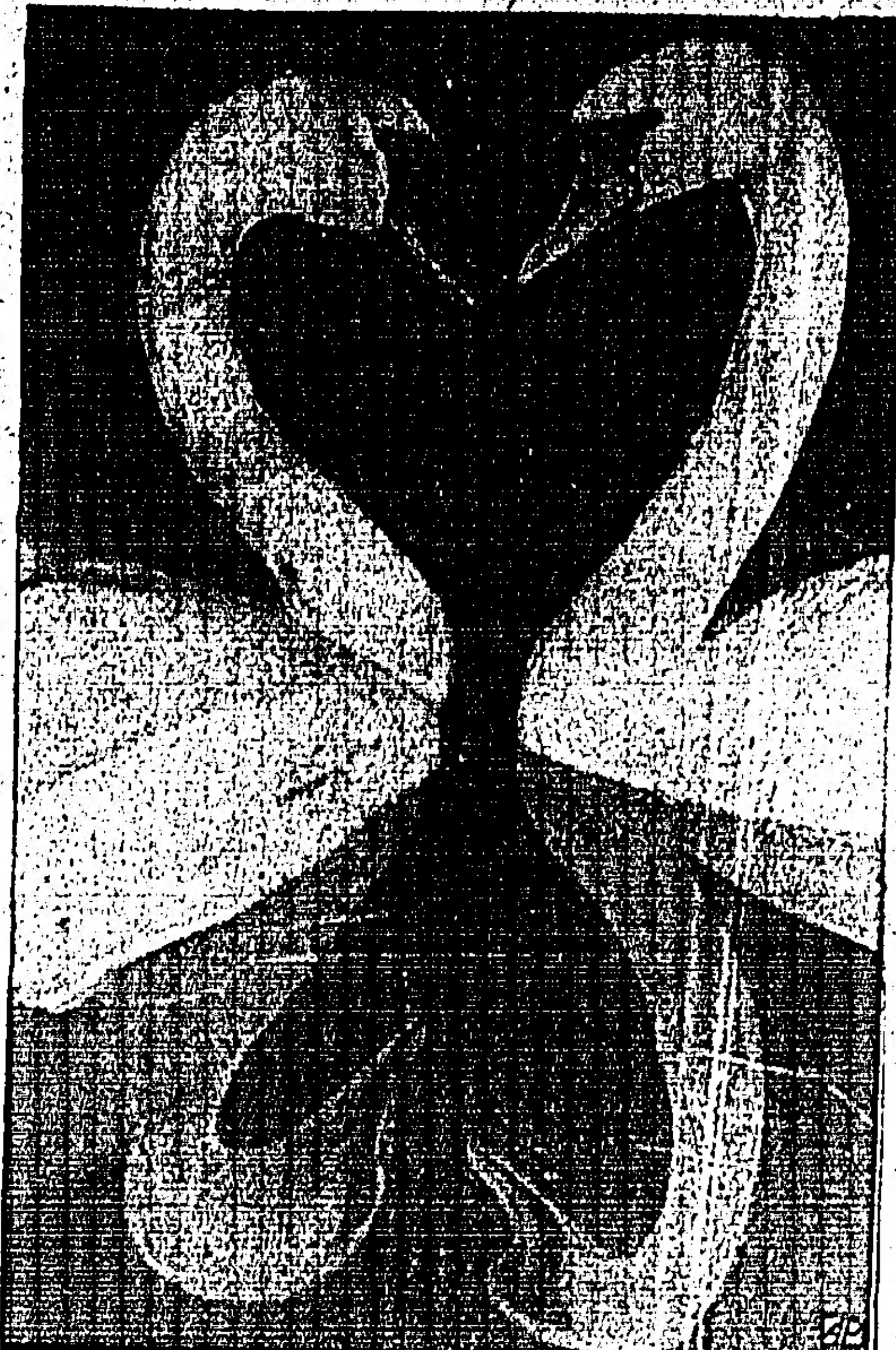
Even if a visa was obtainable, the problem of sufficient funds to get to the new country and make a start there is still to be solved. It is estimated that at least \$800 (United States currency) is required per person.

Many White Russians admit frankly that but for this obstacle they would have left long ago. They do not fear lack of work. Reassuring letters have been received, for example, from White Russians who have established themselves in Chile recently and who write that living there is cheap.

Fortunate possessors of apartments obtain the required funds by selling them at high prices. But others must work and save—and a goal of US\$800 in savings is no easy task considering that most Russians do not earn more than \$100 a month in Shanghai.



"Perhaps you realize now, Vera, that if you'd thought more about your country and less about Frank Sinatra we wouldn't be in the mess we are now."



SWANS FORM HEART—Swans in winter quarters at the Theodore Wirth Park, Minneapolis, form a near-perfect heart reflection in their pool. Perhaps the approach of spring and the mating season had something to do with it.



SPRING WEATHER COMES TO PARIS—On donkeys and goat-drawn carts, youngsters in the Champs Elysees enjoy a warm spring afternoon in Paris.



INTERESTED AUDIENCE—Two kiddies at the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, Chicago, and a clown watch entranced as Chai and Somay, Chinese acrobats, go through their act.



ACTRESS RECEIVES MEDAL—Madeleine Carroll, film star, receives the U.S. Army's Medal of Freedom from Major-Gen. T. B. Larkin in Washington. Award was for her overseas Red Cross service.



SEARCHING EYE—Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, looks through an optical micrometer at a new technical college at Farnborough, England.



PRINCESS CELEBRATES—Princess Marijke, youngest daughter of Princess Juliana and Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, celebrates her first birthday at Soestdijk, Holland, with toys sent by troops in Indonesia. Her sisters, Princesses Irene (left) and Beatrix help her.

VIGNETTES OF LIFE

"All Aboard"

By KEMP STARRETT



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"I DID!... AND I'M STILL THERE!"

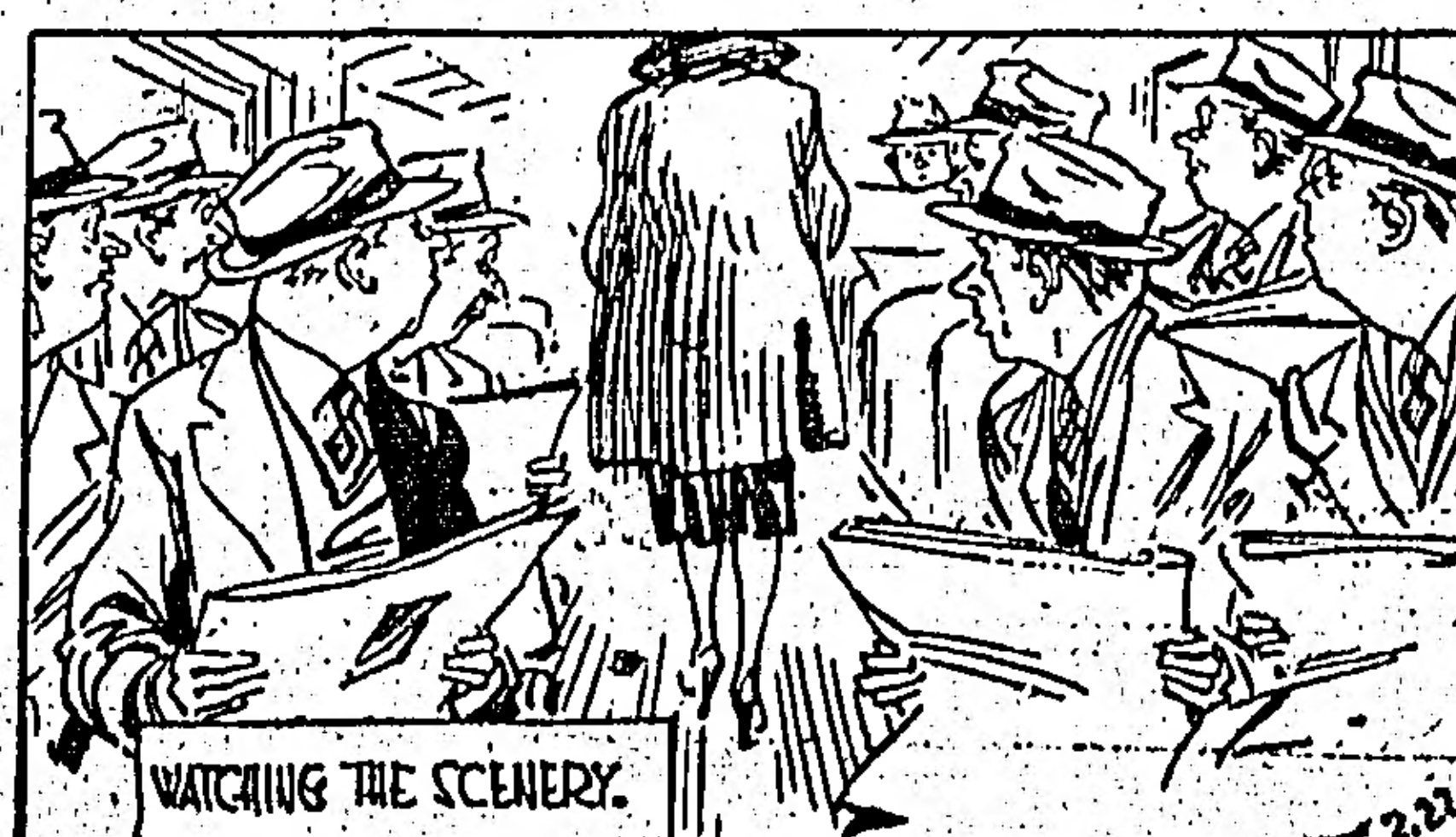
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FULL-PAGE FEATURE

Dress spies beat Paris 'security'

AMERICA
DICTATES
TO THE
FASHION
DICTATORS

BY ANNE EDWARDS

DRESS styles now showing in Paris under a pledge of secrecy were being sold weeks ago to women in America. FOR EXAMPLE: The hooded cloak in the photograph below was one of the models shown in Paris for the first time by Grea, February 7. But on January 20—nineteen days earlier—the New York Times printed an advertisement including this photograph. It was described as: A

special translation of Grea's new spring cloak—price 135 dollars. How is it that the elaborately guarded designs of the Paris dressmakers are common property in New York before they have been seen in Paris?

In the example above, special business arrangements were made, but in other cases "leakages" of information are encouraged and paid for.

This is one result of the long-range dictatorship that the American fashion industry is exercising on Paris.

ORGANISATION

"Midnettes" who work in the best Paris houses smuggle out the paper patterns from which the dresses are cut, to sell to the highest bidder.

Thirty well-known black market copying firms and hundreds of smaller firms in Paris work with them. In a recent raid the police found 50 sketches in one firm's files of secret models designed by famous houses like Dior, the New Look man.

Though the private firms are well-known, and the penalties for proven copying range from 50,000 francs to 3,000,000 francs—the fashion-black marketeers want to get out. They escape the penalty if they can prove that they have altered one detail.

A mass produced pattern of a model stolen from one of the best houses fetches many hundreds francs. Most of them go to America because the black marketeers prefer dollars.

INCENTIVE

I believe many Paris fashion designers now concentrate solely on creating what they think the women of America want to wear next. That is why Paris leadership means everything to the Americans practically nothing to the British, and even less to the French.

There is another more subtle result of the power of dollars to influence fashion.

American firms anxious to promote some special fabric or fashion accessory send their representatives to Paris long before the collections. They promise the designers: "We will buy every model in which our product appears."

So the American fashion industry thrives—complete with a Paris label which looks just like the real thing.



IT'S SECRET—says Paris
135 DOLLARS—says America

The answer's a bustle

o PATRICIA LENNARD lifts a curtain on the risks and rivalries behind the scenes of the big dress shows.

BEHIND the spot-lit couturier shows which have just been held in London and Paris there lies a tale of hard, fast and highly competitive work in which showmanship and dress-making skill are joined to bring in the cash customers.

Mr. X is one of our London couturiers, with a house somewhere in the area bounded by Grosvenor-street, Park-lane, Piccadilly and Bond-street. He must show his collection before the Paris shows begin so that foreign buyers and clients en route to Paris may find his clothes ready.

So he plans to have his show during the last week in January.

Near Christmas, perhaps, he spends a few days in Paris or returns from an autumn trip to the United States or Canada, to sniff a breath of alien, competitive air.

For along the line, during the six-monthly fashion cycle, from tiny wholesaler to big international couturier, runs the same set of guess-work questions: "What will women wear next season? Will my clothes establish a new fashion? Or will they at least be in line with popular fashion? Can I be truly, creative and still earn my bread and butter?"

Immediately after Christmas, the couturier must decide what is to be the general line for the season: is it, for example, to be ultra-feminine or will there be a revolution against it? For this season he decides on the hour-glass silhouette, bustles, flowing skirts and draped jersey dresses. He fixes on a collection of 30 models.

After choosing materials he makes up the "toiles." These are facsimiles of the clothes made in cheap, flimsy material that can be fitted again and again on models until he is satisfied with the design.

BIG STAFF

He has 35 employees: tailoring staff includes one cutter fitter, five tailoring hands and two apprentices. Dressmaking staff comprises one cutter fitter, called the "premiere," 10 dressmaking hands, and 11 apprentices. He also employs three mannequins, two secretaries—receptionists, and a vendeuse—a saleswoman. (Some couturiers have much larger staffs, according to the size of their clientele).

Over the four to five weeks taken to prepare a collection he pays out £1,000 in wages. Materials account for £450 and overheads like rent, etc., £250. That is, £1,700 in all. Model girls need about five fittings per dress, and each gets £12 for her part in the show.

The collection is shown first of all to the Press. The show lasts about an hour, models being allowed two and a half minutes for each change. Then come two weeks of daily showings to the buyers and private clients—the cash customers.

There is a 50 percent purchase tax on pure silk garments and additional 33.3 on wool and other materials. From the cutlure I am describing the starting price of a dress is from £45; coats from £50; suits from £51 and evening dresses from £73—plus tax.



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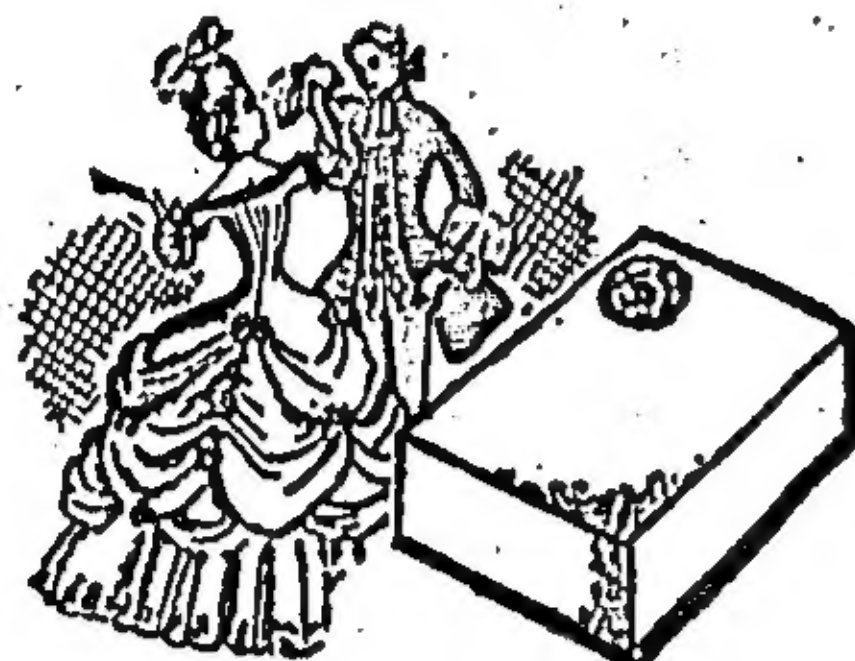


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HEADLINES

Paris Puts On Her Spring Hat



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PARIS.

THE PARIS milliners have made up their minds about your spring hat and they are not cagey about spreading the news. The dressmakers are more secretive. They forbid publication of what we will soon see until six weeks after the dress shows.

While we are waiting, the leading Paris hat designers are displaying their collections (30 to 40 models each)—price £15 apiece at the new rate) to the international squad of fashion buyers and reporters now in Paris.

One hat was embroidered in real diamonds. At first sight it is difficult for the British contingent to see what place this and similar fantastic and frivolous creations have in the world today. But it is apparently clear to the Paris milliners themselves. Their hats, they believe, have a much more solemn purpose than earning dollars and pounds.



BLACK STRAW
plaited with large
like lace. Trim-
ming is two
Mercury wings in
black velvet.



SILK CHIFFON
printed with large
roses. Trimming
is three roses cut
out from the
material.



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with small white
version is trimmed
with white goose
feathers.



EMERALD
GREEN felt
boater, has
anatomical in
front, black veil
round the face.

"What," asks the publicity blurb of one of them, "can be more heartening to a world in crisis than a face veil all tumbling over with roses?" I repeat: What? Forgetting the extreme fashions though, there are, as always, trends here which will have a world-wide effect on hat fashions. Robb has drawn seven hats which demon-

... And London Unveils Some—

Straws, Stripes
And
Sophistication

1000 WOMEN LOOKED, TALKED



THESE HATS EARN DOLLARS

Here are two that made talking points, both by Erik, of Brook-street. Right: a white straw with shoulder-wide double-fold bows of deep purple; below: a burnt straw beehive bonnet, trimmed with black velvet.



SMARTEST
FASHION



It was taken in London early this month—the smartest fashion picture this season. It is a good example of how makers are striving to give maximum value to overcome resistance to ceiling price controls.

Seven new fashion features are included: 1. Boater. 2. Side-trimmed. 3. Neck bow. 4. Striped contrast. 5. Fluted jacket back. 6. Fencil skirt. 7. Outsize buttons.

"NEW SHOE" IS SIMPLE AND BRIGHTLY COLOURED

BY VIRGINIA STAFFORD
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK. WHILE shoes may appear to be an almost invariable factor in Milady's wardrobe, there is a movement afoot among designers to re-style existing models into fitting companions for the springtime silhouette.

Vincent de Liso, American shoe designer working with Bonwit Teller, a Fifth Avenue store, has produced the type of shoe longer and fuller skirt. His theory is that since today's mode reveals so little of the leg, foot-wear must be made as simply as possible, yet with imagination to keep the foot buoyant and youthful. His recent showing featured in particular platform soles, pumps with short vamps, and a variety of applications of the ankle strap.

Platform Sole
De Liso's styling of the platform sole turned out a shoe which was streamlined in spite of its apparent bulk, and is heralded as a fitting companion to the flaring skirt.

Following what is believed to have been a precedent set by Parisian designers, for some time, shoes have appeared in the United States in brighter hues, not only the traditional brown, black and navy blue. And the list of potential colours seems rapidly expanding, for current advertisements read similar to the flower seed catalogues: available in blue, green, red, fuschia and cinnamon.

Coloured nylon hose has been produced in revolutionary shades, designed to melt in with the wearer's colour ensemble. While these stockings of pink, yellow and powder blue a flat shoe.

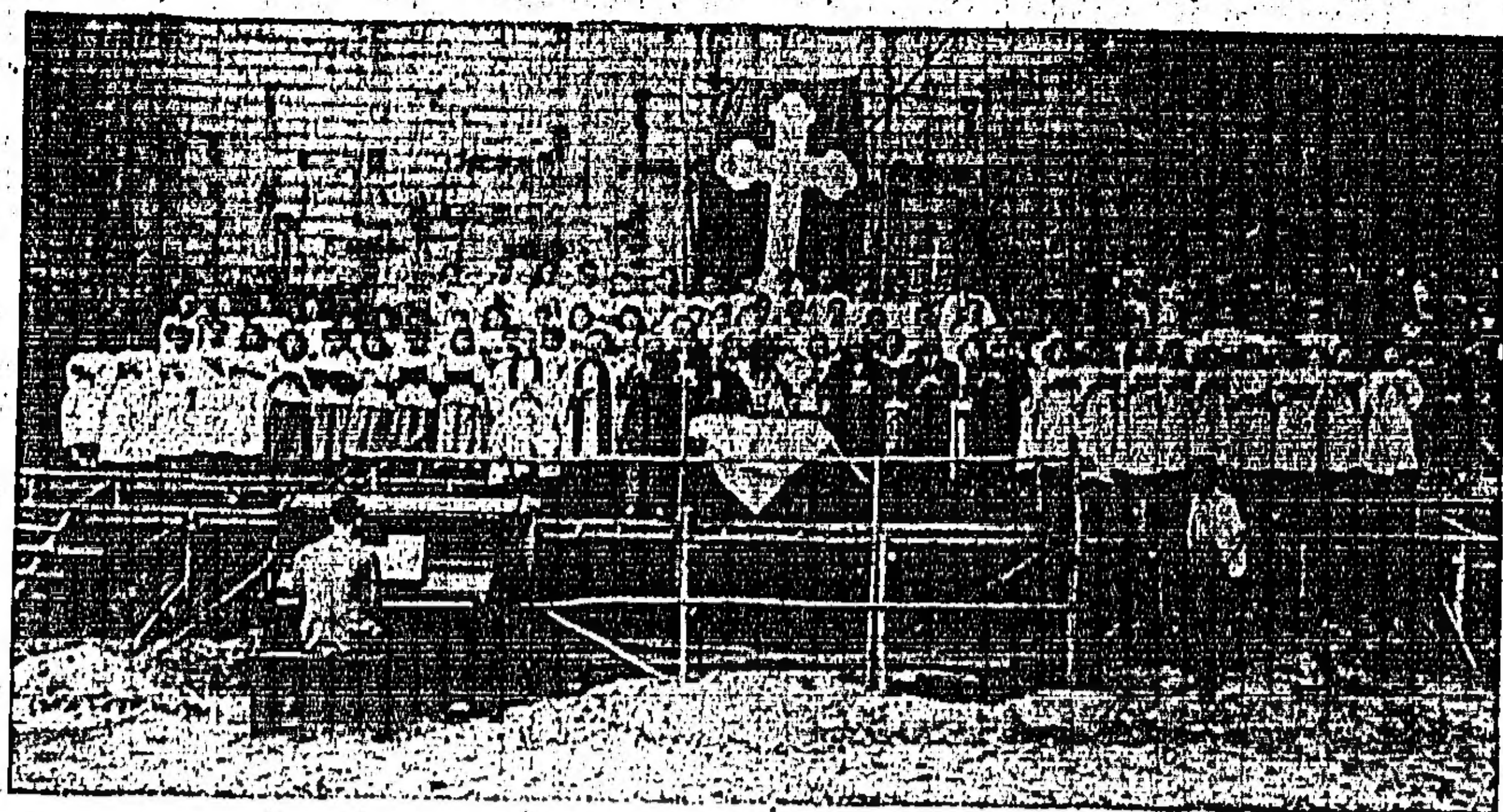
can be seen in numerous store windows, they have yet to be adopted by the average style-conscious woman in New York. Shades of hose, following the trend set last spring, tend to the dark brown and black, and the only unusual colour which seems in any way popular is navy nylon, worn usually for evening wear with shoes of the same shade.

The French heel, that version of the spike heel which features a concave along the outer edge, has been displayed consistently in Fifth Avenue stores but has not been adopted by Gotham women on the whole. I. Miller, metropolitan shoe designer, has produced a black satin opera pump with the french heel for formal wear. This has been made also in navy blue satin.

Tone Variation
Andrew Geller, New York stylist who describes his shoes as "The Talk of Paris translated by Geller" has produced a new tone variation which will be watched with interest. Calling it the "high pitch patent with soft spoken suede," he has combined shiny black patent leather toes with subdued grey suede on the heels, in both pumps and strap.

Flat-heeled shoes which have made their debut within the past five years and are designed both for comfort and the Tal Gal who has difficulty keeping her shoulders on par with her bent back, retain their popularity for the coming spring, in spite of rumours to the contrary. The ballet slipper adapted for daytime wear by introduction of the hard sole and suggestion of a heel, is well primed for the coming season. Variations on the theme are evident with the use of the ankle strap which lends a not indelicate air to

WEEK'S SOCIAL AND SPORTING ACTIVITIES IN PICTURES



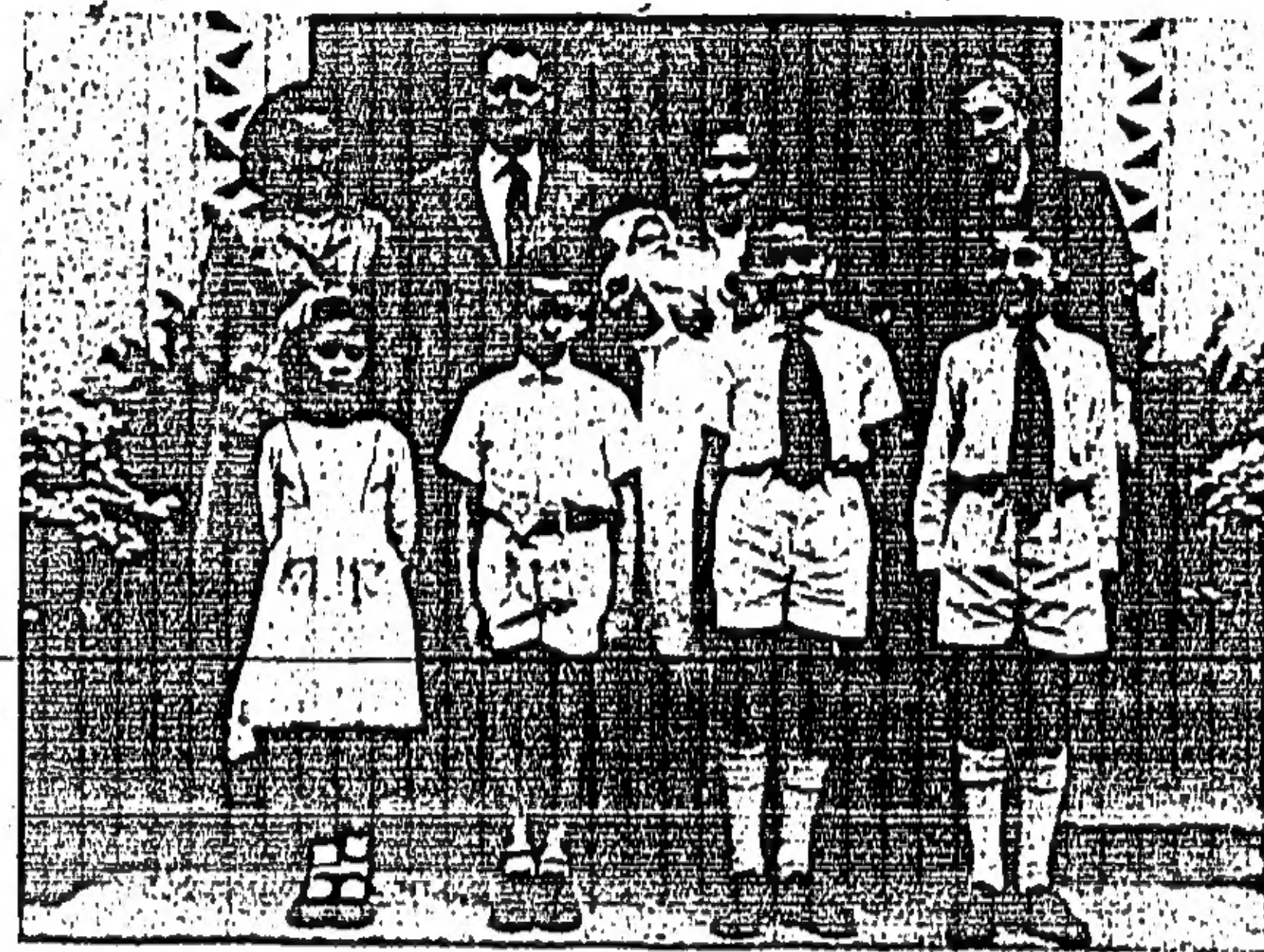
THE massed choirs of several Chinese Protestant churches in Hongkong photographed during the open air Easter Sunday service in Murray Parade Ground. (Photo: King's Studio)



MR Wong Kam-pul, a prominent merchant of Honolulu, and Miss Ho Heung-yin of Hongkong were married on Monday at a ceremony held in the Paramount Hotel. (Photo: Sun Ying Ming)



MRS R. Johannesson, owner of Norse Queen, which won the Sassoon Challenge Cup at the races on Monday, with the trophy. On the left is Mrs H. G. Sheldon, who presented the cup amid cheers. (Photo: Moo Choung)



PICTURE taken after the christening at St John's Cathedral on Sunday of Elizabeth May, infant daughter of Mr and Mrs W. B. Brumwell. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio)



PART of the large and distinguished audience at the Leo Theatre last week on the occasion of the charity premiere of the film, "Carnegie Hall." (Photo: Ming Yuen)



HONGKONG beat Kowloon in the annual cricket match played last Sunday at the Hongkong Cricket Club. Frank Howarth (second from right, middle row) equalled a local record by taking all of Kowloon's wickets. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



HE the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, laying the foundation stone of the Hongkong Telephone Company's new building at the corner of Nathan and Cameron Roads, Kowloon, last week. (Photo: Moo Choung)



RODNEY, son of Mr H. W. E. Heath, Kowloon Commanding Officer, Hongkong Police, and Mrs Heath, was baptised at Christ Church last week by the Rev. F. W. Weaver. (Photo: King's Studio)



MR Albert Tan and Miss Pearl Lin, who were married last Saturday at the Kowloon Hotel. (Photo: Mainland Studio)



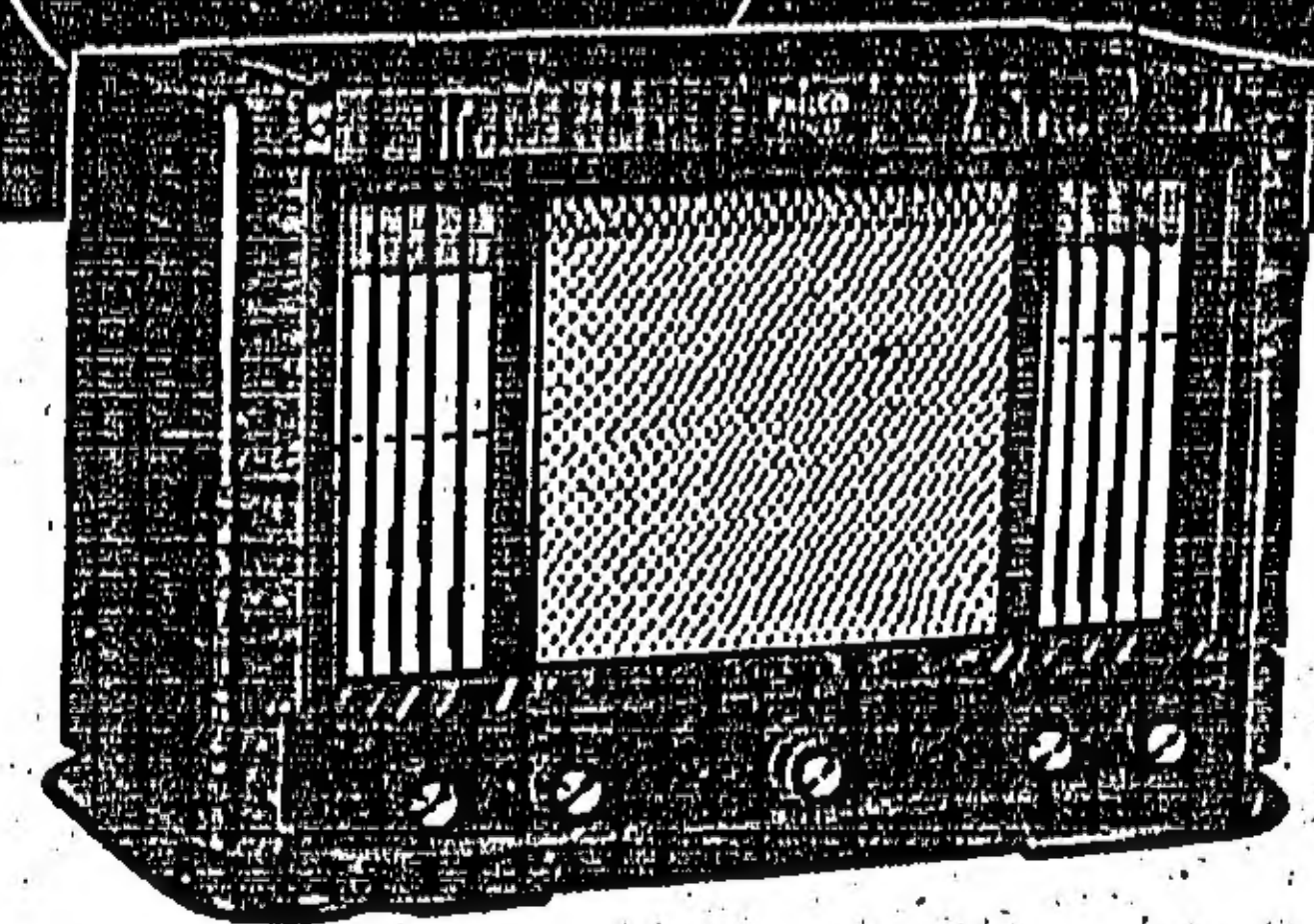
TWO of the tiny mannequins at the children's Easter dress parade held on Wednesday at the Hongkong Hotel. Miss Mariana Boorgin (left) and Miss Carol Ann Bonnet. Below: Some of the young models with their mothers and amahs awaiting their turn in the show. (Photos: Watson-Gainsborough)



GROUP taken outside St John's Cathedral last Sunday after the christening of Grace and Gloria, daughters of Mr and Mrs Lo Fook-wo, Carol, daughter of Mr and Mrs Li Fook-kow, and Julian, daughter of Mr and Mrs Norman Li. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



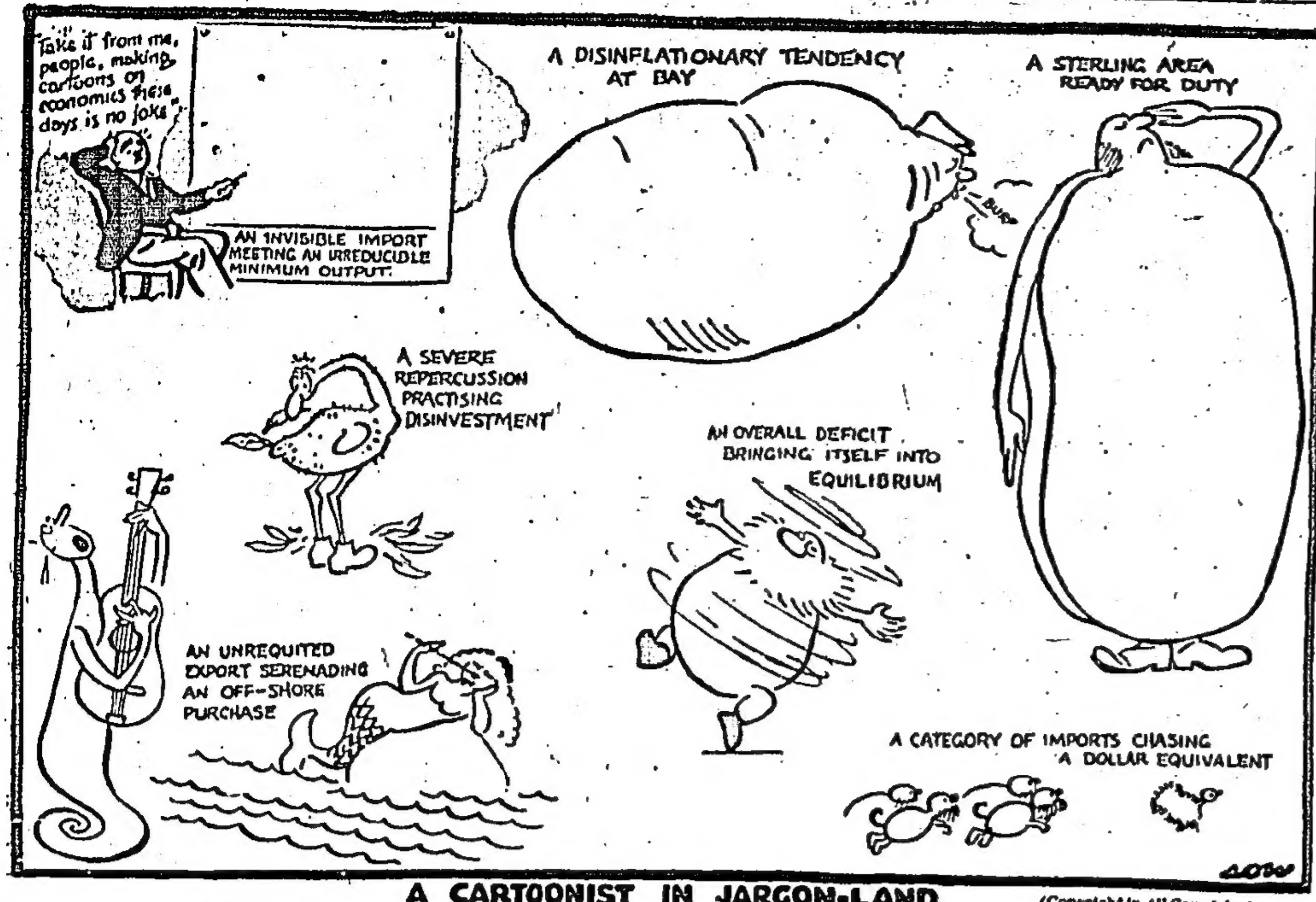
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SPORTS FEATURES

Soccer Notes

By "See Too"

"Needle" League Tilt Today

INTERNATIONAL CHARITY CUP FINAL TOMORROW

One of the most important league fixtures of the season is to be played at Caroline Hill this afternoon, where two strong contenders for the championship of the Hongkong FA league, South China and Kowloon Motor Buses, meet for the second time this season. The previous match at the Motor Bus home ground (Boundary-street) ended in a 4-3 victory for KMB.

Tomorrow is the International Charity Cup final. The finalists are Chinese and Portuguese sides. Both sides hope to field very strong eleven, Portugal being able to call upon four of their Macao players, including Mendes, who did so well in the Boxing Day match.

South China's match with Kowloon Motor Buses is the weekend's "needle" league game. In company with Kitchee (who hold a very strong position at the top of the table) and perhaps Sing Tao, both South China and Kowloon Motor Buses have fair chances of winning the league championship. South China have played one more match than KMB and have one more point to their credit. A South China victory would give them an outside chance of becoming league champions.

Kowloon Motor Buses, on the other hand, have a better chance of the championship but they must win their remaining four matches to do so and this match with South China at Caroline Hill this afternoon is their severest test. Both sides must win to keep right in the running for pipping Kitchee on the post. The last league meeting of these two clubs on November 30 was a terrific struggle in which fortunes fluctuated sharply. Kowloon Motor Buses ran out winner 4-3.

KITCHEE'S LONG LEAD

Kitchee have held the lead in the championship race throughout most of the season. They surrendered it temporarily to South China a few weeks ago. So far they have lost only five league games in twenty-five. At the time of the transfer of their crack Chinese players to Sing Tao (immediately before the commencement of the Shield tourney in mid-December), Kitchee had won all but one of their league matches. Strong St. Joseph's side (similar to that which will represent Portugal tomorrow) beat them 1-0. It is for consideration by Hongkong's football governors, however, whether it is really equitable that the nucleus of a league leading team, that is, four or five of the best local Chinese players should be transferred under conditions which are so discouraging to other clubs.

The plain facts are that these players stayed with Kitchee long enough to enable them to build up an almost impregnable lead in the league championship race. Most certainly these players were responsible for Sing Tao's success in the Senior Shield competition.

Sing Tao are still on the edge of the first five in the championship race, but they are behind with their league programme as a result of their visit to Britain. They had two mid-week matches both this week and last week and are similarly engaged again on Tuesday and Thursday of next week.

NAVY GROUND ATTRACTIONS

Although the South China-KMB match at Caroline Hill will most certainly draw large crowds this afternoon, the Navy Ground at Causeway Bay will provide two very strong county attractions. There are two first division games there this afternoon. Both Kitchee and the Inniskillings, the contestants in the early game, have much changed teams from those which took part in their previous league match on November 30th.

Kitchee won that match rather luckily; the score was 2-1. The Inniskillings will be much strengthened by the return of Lieutenant Kiernan whose leg injury seems to have cleared up.

The more interesting match, however, is the meeting of Sing Tao and the 25th Field Regiment, R.A. The Gunners are one of the few Service sides to show improved form in recent weeks. They held Kowloon Motor Buses to a 3-3 draw in a very testing league game a fortnight ago. With a little luck and more directness near goal they might have claimed the coveted Bus scalp. The Gunners are well served in attack by a new right wingman who has done well recently, and, of course, by their centre forward, Bates, who has a fine shot in his left foot. Other good forwards are Marsden and Goldrick. In goal Wyllie, long overshadowed

in the early season by the illustrious Craske, has many fine performances to his credit. If the Sing Tao team show the judicious which has cost them defeat in a couple of recent matches they are in for another heavy afternoon. Their mid-week defeat of Eastern will have restored much of their confidence, however.

The Artillerymen are at the head of affairs in the local Army league. They play together a lot; their recent form suggests that they may improve on their previous result with Sing Tao. On December 4 the Gunners were beaten by Sing Tao 3-1.

HAS NO BEARING

This afternoon's game between Chinese Athletic and Eastern will not have a bearing upon the league championship; the Athletic lost ground in recent weeks in most disappointing fashion. Despite their mid-week defeat by Sing Tao, Eastern are very much a side to be reckoned with. They beat Chinese Athletic 3-1 when they last met.

Kowloon Motor Buses, Kitchee and Sing Tao are all in action next week in mid-week games. Kitchee will find points very hard to collect at the Police Ground on Tuesday. With a very strong side they were only just able to beat Police (1-0) in November. If the Police are able to field their usual side Kitchee can hope only for a draw.

Tomorrow's International Charity Cup final promises to be one of the season's most attractive matches. Portugal hope to field the Macao men who helped them to defeat the English on Boxing Day. One of the most outstanding Portuguese players of last season, Alex Aires, who played centre half in many big representative games, will not be playing tomorrow. The burly Carvalho will lead Portugal's attack and their defence will be under the direction of the veteran B. Gosano who is to play at right full back.

Today's fixtures are:

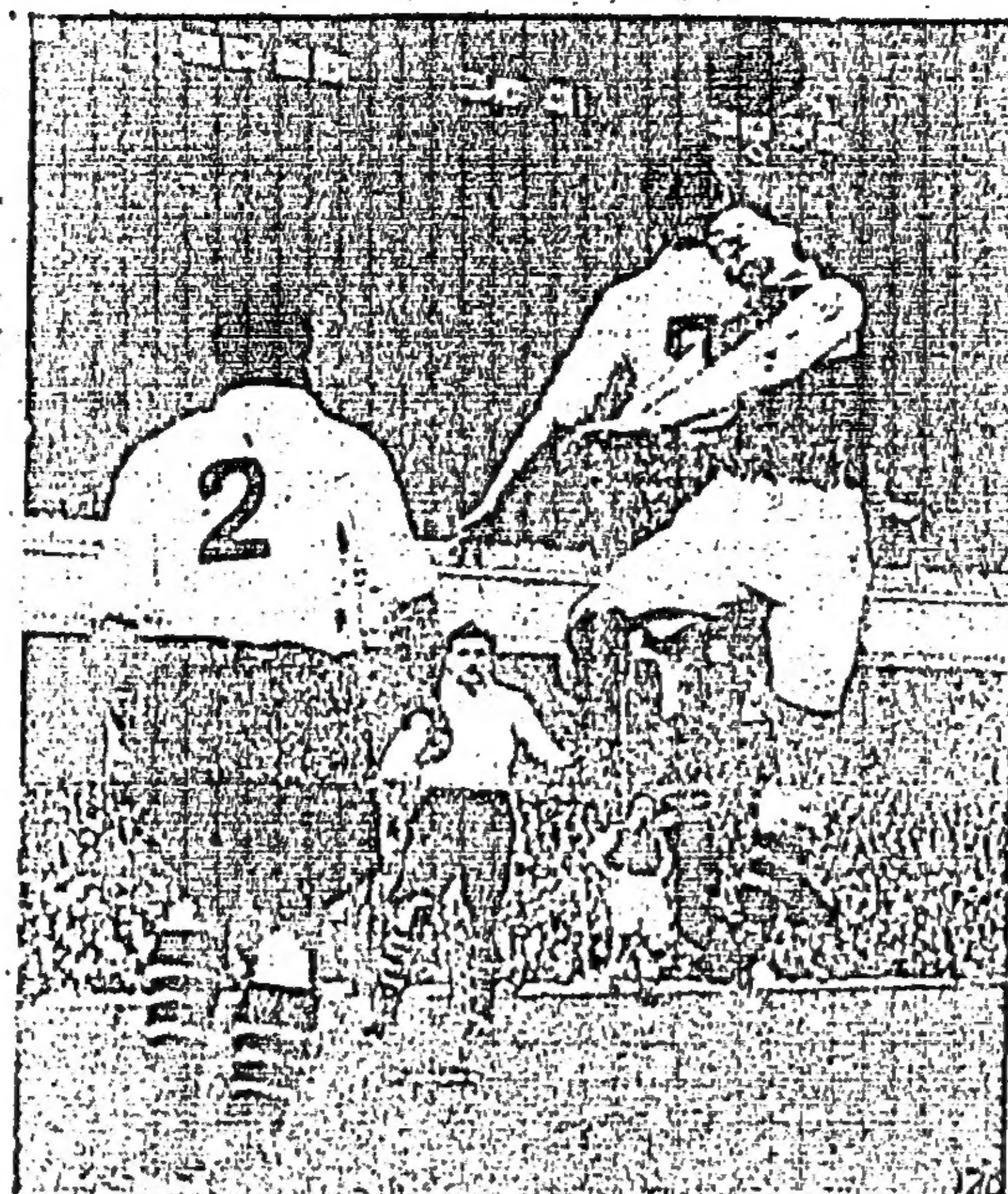
1st Division
Police v Kwong Wah (Police, 3 p.m. Ref: A. F. Willis. Linesmen: P. P. Li/A. M. Lee).
Chinese AA v Eastern (Police, 4.30 p.m. Ref: L. G. Young. Linesmen: A. F. Willis/A. M. Lee).
Inniskilling v Kitchee (Navy, 3 p.m. Ref: F. A. Barretto. Linesmen: J. G. Padley/A. Ribeiro).
25th RA v Sing Tao (Navy, 4.30 p.m. Ref: J. G. Padley. Linesmen: F. A. Barretto/A. Ribeiro).
South China v KMB Bus (C. Hill, 4.30 p.m. Ref: A. Brogan. Linesmen: A. Farmer/L. Frank).
Club v Buffs (Club, 4.30 p.m. Ref: A. Guest. Linesmen: L. Harris/Y. F. Mink).
Navy (Bye).

REFEREE'S MEETING

The monthly meeting of Soccer Referees will be held in the Football Association Offices (by kind permission of the Hongkong FA) on Monday, April 5. The meeting will commence at 8.30 p.m.



YOU MUST HAVE THE WRONG NUMBER - NOBODY HERE WANTS A CUP-TIE TICKET



SOME FANCY HEADWORK—An Arsenal forward (black jersey) and a Burnley full-back literally and figuratively head for a loose ball during a game at Highbury, Arsenal won, 3-0.—AP Wirephoto.

Softball Chatter

By "Spectator"

"INTERPORT" WITH SHAMEEN

Interesting Fixtures For Weekend

The "Shameen Shadows" of Canton, under the leadership of Reid Jorgensen (U.S. Consul at Canton), are spotlighted to do battle with Hong Kong League squads.

Today they are pitched against Association. President Doc Molthen's Hong Kong Baseball Club. The game starts at 2.30 p.m. on the CBA ground with Bill Woo, Wilfred Lawrence and Tony Alves doing arbitrating duties.

While it has not been definitely fixed, the Filipino Club will probably be the "honoured" opponents chosen by the Association to play tomorrow afternoon against the visitors. King's Park is the venue, although the ground is yet to be decided on. A women's exhibition match is expected to precede the game, which starts at 3 p.m. A reception at the Filipino Club will follow.

As a preliminary test of strength, with strong hopes of eventual emergence of Interport Softball between the neighbouring places, the genial Consul is bringing down a useful combination who are expected to give a good account of themselves.

Grapevine sources have it that Consul Jorgensen is the pitcher of the side. "He's got plenty on the ball," said one know-nothing. But being the only moundman in the side, he will be doing mound chores in both games which will be a Herculean effort.

WHAT TO EXPECT

According to the few who have seen a few of the Shadows play, "Big Fella" Lewis Wheat, of Chinese Commercial Airline CAT, will open the eyes of local softball followers with sizzling, masterful ball playing at shortstop. Some "worshipping" words have been heard of the others and the ability of E. A. Buchanan (Assistant U.S. Naval Attache) and C. H. W. Robertson sounded more than good.

"The team as a whole is new at the game, though the best sportsmen are amongst them," my informant protectively vouches.

The rest of an anticipated colourful Canton squad include: Henry Ching (U.S. Consulate), C. V. Curtis (Mien Wah Trading Co.), Harold King (Chinese Maritime Customs), W. Z. Myers (U.S. Consulate), L. E. Peterson (Standard Vacuum Oil), G. H. Thomas (Texas Oil), Bruce Tingle (CAT), W. C. Watson (Standard Vacuum Oil) and Virgil Wong (Standard Vacuum). There may be additions to the team.

Come one! Come all! Let's give our visitors a mighty welcome! Let's go to the ball game!

The CBA sandlot was "packed" to capacity last Sunday. Chinese fans for once outnumbered the others.

Their compatriots were playing. They were out in strength to give valuable support. They were appreciative and knowledgeable enough with their "ooohs" and "aahs" when Bill Woo's smooth-playing China contingent had the better of their "enemy" India in the early stages of the game. As most of the cheer and jeer for the home side in English for once the "foot-ball-addicted" supporter in a softball game was outplayed. But whether you say it in Greek or the plain, the popular "Come around China!" their cheers were "ticklish" to Bill Woo, who swiped the apple clear over the fence for one of the two homers in the game.

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HOT SLUGFEST

It was a really hot slugfest of an exciting China-India struggle. Both sides were mercilessly hitting "em. India started off with no regular pitcher. Kenneth Khan was tried and he lasted, not infamously, for less than one stanza. Cool E. Yusuf took up gallantly. He is a speedy outfielder, not a pitcher, but did a bit of that kind of stuff in his home backcountry once upon a time. A live-wire, but a sound pitcher. Sherry Burke played triant, and Jindoo Hussain, the slugging, reliable gardener could not play because he had gone to Saigon for soccer.

The Indians were down three runs after five innings. Then "showboat" Young Kur-ling failed in his "The Show Must Go On" with a costly error, fumbling with an easy catch to left field, which started the China "riot."

The Indians surely did hustle their way along. Their enterprising baserunning could be an example. Express all-rounder Benny Omar who got safely to first every time, bunted again and eluded first baseman Bill Woo, who tried to tag him. Benny was declared safe at first. Bill said he did tag Benny before his reaching first and accordingly protested to David Cramer, who was the base umpire. Dale maintained Bill missed the Indian hot corner artist. Then Junior Markar's timely single scored in two runs. Capone Rumbahn and Sabu Samy scored, helped by the latter's distant blow.

CHINA'S LOST CHANCE

The Indians came back to snatch the lead 9-0 at the last of the sixth. None away, Pau was on second and there was China's chance to return to the fore as Big Bill Woo sauntered to the plate. He had already hit one over the fence. He made another big blow but Junior Markar at left field

Olympics Hockey Pitch Worry

Will It Do Justice?

Hockey question chiefly under discussion just now is whether the pitch at the Empire Stadium, Wembley, can be maintained in a condition to do justice to the Olympic hockey final.

The Olympic Games programme allots Monday, August 9, for the Hockey semi-finals, Tuesday and Wednesday for the semi-finals of the football, and Thursday for the hockey final and the match for third place. Requirements of football and hockey are by no means identical as regards ground conditions. The best of football pitches would, normally, have too much grass on it for hockey. When cut, it would need the roller to make the surface play well.

Moreover, once cut and rolled, the pitch would very easily be damaged by football—even in favourable weather. Can the surface be sufficiently restored in 24 hours?

FA DO NOT MIND

The Football Association representative has stated that there is no objection on their part to the Wembley pitch being cut and rolled, but the Stadium management have made no statement.

The over-riding consideration is that a first-class pitch be provided for the Olympic final.

The Hockey Association is unlikely to make a formal request for a change of venue if they are assured that the Wembley pitch will be adequately cut and rolled. They have already been assured that the lines marking the football pitch can be obliterated.

Representatives of England, Wales and Scotland will meet early next month to try and reach agreement on entering a team to represent Great Britain at the Games. It is proposed to form the "British Hockey Board" representing the three countries.

NO IRISHMEN

The Board would then affiliate to the Federation Internationale de Hockey, governing body of the game recognised by the International Olympic Committee.

No Irish players will be considered for the British Olympic team as the Irish Hockey Union control the game in both the Free State and Northern Ireland. They do not want their players invited, although those resident in N. Ireland are technically eligible.

Red shirts and white shorts have been adopted as the colours for the British team. The Army, who play in red, have offered to provide the shirts, as an economy measure, and their offer has been accepted.

made no mistake catching him out. The ball this time failed to clear the fence. A sizzling double play, brought off through the co-ordination of Rumbahn, Omar and six-footer Abu Bakar, stopped a dangerous China retaliation.

The last frame saw India pushing further ahead. Three more runs came. Two down, full bases, Young Kur-ling failed in China's turn, though it was a tall order. He had been batting well. He did not try for a homer which appeared the only bold way to save the game. He elected to make a hit and nearly did it—a nicely placed one short of the outfield but Junior Markar roared in from nowhere to put an end to an exciting affair.

India deserved their victory thanks to their fighting come-back. Statistics supported them too. They made 13 hits against China's ten and erred much less. The lot of them made but a couple of errors. A highly commendable performance was displayed by minor Tiger Hussain of the Junior Leaguers, Roxes. He beat out two hits in two trips up, which was the best average. It was a pleasant reward to mentor H. Moosdeen for having confidence in him. Dynamic catcher Sabu Samy was next with three safeties, followed by Big Boy Bakar with two screaming bingles. Two hits each were also hit out by Benny Omar and Ken Khan. Showboat Young was the leader of China hitters with three hits in five times up. Dashing Luke Bunn and shortstop Young were good for two safeties. Three-baggers were slammed out by Law Chung-sang and Africa Wong.

This week's games are:

TODAY

Exhibition

CBA ground—2.30 p.m. Canton "Shameen Shadows" v. Hongkong Baseball Club.

TOMORROW

Exhibition

King's Park—2.30 p.m. Canton "Shameen Shadows" v. Filipino Club (tentatively).

Men's "A" Division

CBA ground—10.30 a.m. Police v. St. Joseph's.

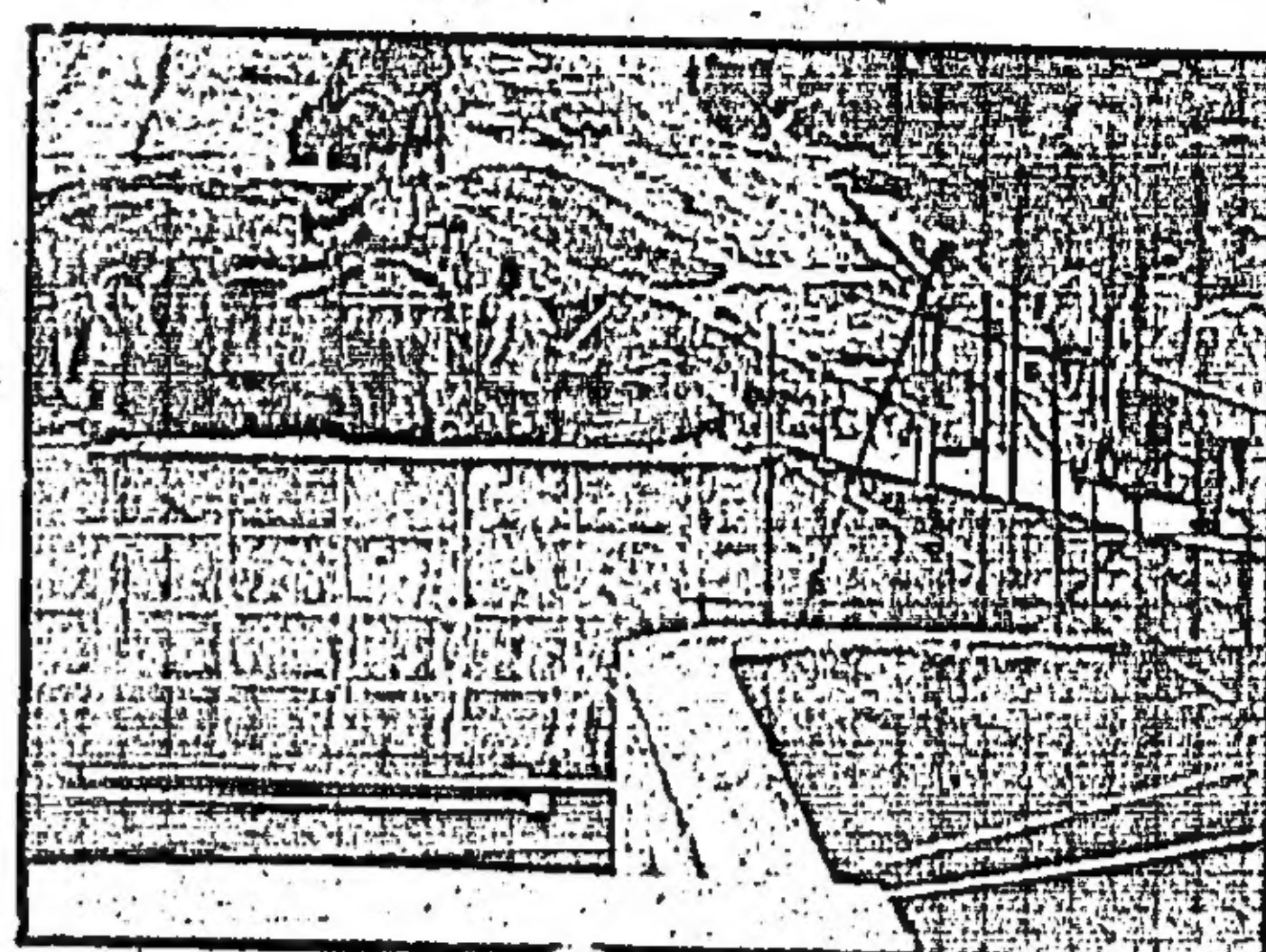
Recreio football ground—11.15 a.m. South China v. VRC.

Recreio softball diamond—10 a.m. VRC v. Recreio.

OLYMPIC CITY—60 GERMANS AT WORK

(By Gordon Holman)

Sixty German prisoners of war, 20 Poles and more than 50 British technicians and workmen are blazing a trail to Wembley Stadium, where the Olympic Games are to be held in the summer.



They are widening two main road bridges and a half-mile stretch of roadway, constructing a subway from Wembley Park station making two traffic roundabouts and laying down a double carriage-way for three quarters of a mile inside the Stadium grounds.

The total cost of work, which will be completed in June, is probably in the neighbourhood of £200,000.

The Borough Surveyor told me today that Wembley Council's share will cost about £100,000.

"We are carrying out a permanent road improvement," he said, "and the Ministry of Transport will refund 75 per cent of that sum and the County Council will pay the rest. Wembley ratepayers will only pay their share through the normal contribution to the County Council."

DRESSING-ROOMS

Sir Arthur Elvin's spokesman had no idea what the cost of the work inside the Stadium would be. "In addition to the new entrance road, we are building a block that should give us the finest dressing-room accommodation in the country," he said. "Only skilled constructional men are at work on that so far."

Some men working in a deep trench were laying new cables that will be necessary for the Games.

The Government have given approval to all this preparatory work, I was told.

Although they are not called upon to settle the bill, the people of Wembley are following the activities of the prisoners and others with considerable interest.

BUILDINGS GO

"Look at the concrete," said one man, "and yet there are new houses waiting for flooring in the borough, I believe."

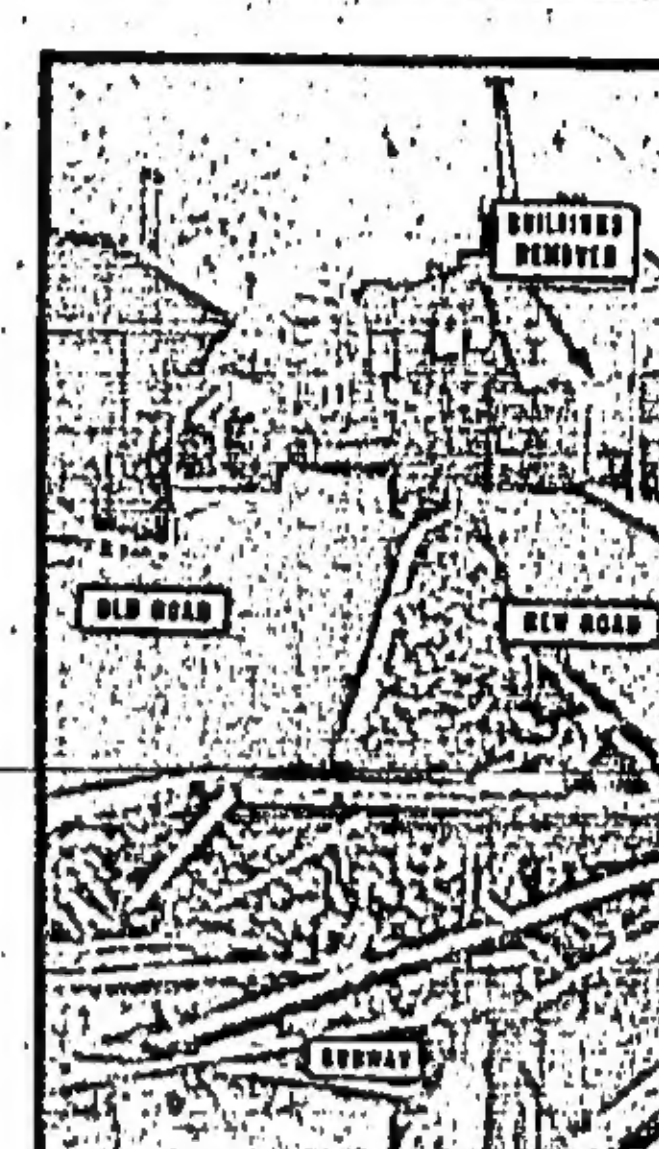
Recent council minutes confirmed this. It is being said locally that alterations to the bowling-green cost £200.

When I raised this point with the borough surveyor, he replied: "I cannot give you separate items of compensation. It is all included in the £100,000."

A house agent's office, a cafe and other lock-up buildings have disappeared from the bridge over the railway. "It is not only widening—the bridge needed strengthening anyway," said the surveyor.

"We are acting as agents for the Stadium in building the subway under the main road."

Up above, in the station, a ticket collector said: "They are going to



Road to Wembley. PoWs at work, and the new road at Wembley Park station.

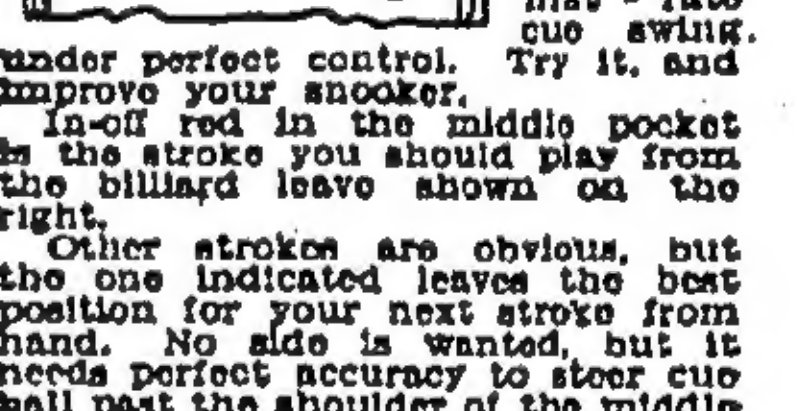
cut away half the booking-office. It is going to be some job if they are to finish before June."

The prisoners, wearing half-length British duffle coats, were certainly doing their share. Most of them were smothered in mud or cement. Pneumatic drills and mechanical excavators were in use.

Footnote.—The minutes of Wembley Council record that the Post War Housing Committee received the Ministry of Health's Circular No. 100/47 which emphasises the importance of completing as rapidly as possible those houses on which an effective start has been made....

Arthur Peall says:

You can test cue swing by playing the snooker stroke shown on the diagram. On the table the ball is in position to pocket. But to put that ball in the top pocket as strength is a stroke cue back on blue via the top and side cushions is a stroke cue swing. Try it, and under perfect control. Improve your snooker. In-off red in the middle pocket in the stroke you should play from the billiard leave shown on the right. Other strokes are obvious, but the one indicated leaves the best position for your next stroke from hand. No side is wanted, but it needs perfect accuracy to steer cue ball past the shoulder of the middle pocket.



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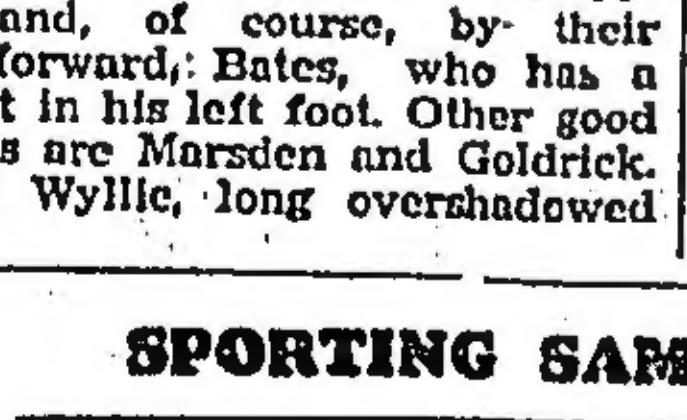
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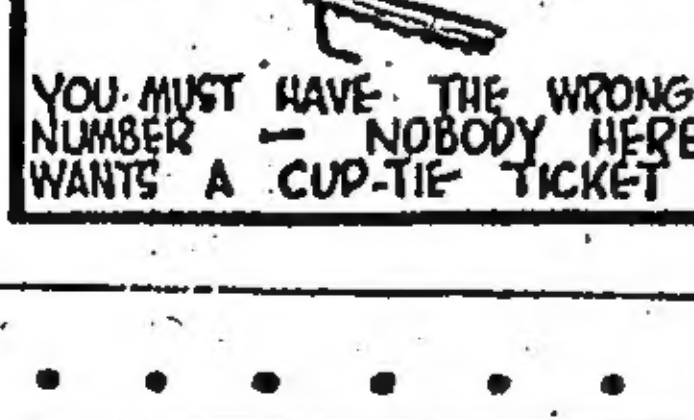
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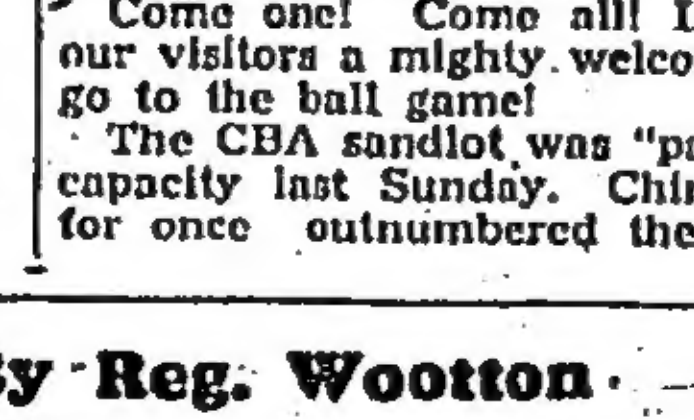
By Reg. Wootton



TODAY'S MATCH TO BE TELEVIEWED



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BOOKS by GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON

A WOMAN AT WAR WITH OLD AGE

THE novellists have got around to the Peace. They have reached the period when the victories were celebrated and the breakings counted. It is into this epoch that Pamela Hansford Johnson fits her new novel, *AN AVENUE OF STONE* (Michael Joseph, 10s. 6.).

This assured piece of story-telling has for its central, all-pervading character, Helena, lady, Archer, former star of the music-halls and now a widow (twice), handsome, vibrant, loud—and loathing with all her might the surrender which age is relentlessly exacting from her.

In real life a woman one might have wanted to smother with a large, soft cushion. Helena in the novel is an exasperating, but likeable, baggage.

This indomitable haridan seizes upon a weak young man named Johnnie Field, introduced to the house by her step-son, who is called Claude and writes books about modern art.

As Helena's slave, Johnnie dusts the flat, waits on the guests and is the object of general commiseration. But, not only are the years fighting cruelly against Helena, her heart has betrayed her again.

Johnnie is "the last thing in her life." And before she is finished, the gorgeous Helena is pressing Johnnie's trousers and painting the room to be nice when he comes back.

In Johnnie there is both something better and something worse than the feckless cowardice that goes with his lustrous eyelashes. He cleverly exploits his weakness and weakly fights against it. His self-contempt is always drowned in self-pity.

There are, too, glimpses of a more purposeful streak of nastiness. In pubs, Johnnie picks up girls and tells them lies about his life with Helena, lies in which he appears in an attractive light. How Johnnie hates himself when he does that! A subtle portrait, painted without contempt.

Johnnie is not alone in the gallery. There are also Mrs. Olney, ending ex-mistress of Helena's dead husband; Churnman, Helena's daughter, whose marriage is always about to break up, yet somehow always grows stronger; and Mrs. Sholto, the refined scandal-monger.

But it is Helena, painted something more than life-size, who is the book. Helena in the final, gaudy chapter of her life, a magnetic and infuriating creature, striding from bitterly won triumph through direct defeat to brazen recovery.

THE CHEQUER BOARD. by Neville Shute (Helmemann, 8s. 6d.). Is unsatisfactory as a novel because

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

Solution of yesterday's puzzle.—

Across: 1, Abnegate; 8, Banal; 9, Grab; 10, Ostler; 12, Trident; 14, Tie; 15, Needed; 16, Game; 19, Ulcer; 20, Helena; 22, Reluctant; 23, Peer; 24, Nee. Down: 1, About turn; 2, Bastille; 3, Eating; 4, Agree; 5, Trend; 6, Easter; 7, Abundance; 11, Treacle; 13, Dearest; 17, Move; 18, Even; 21, Eke.

It consists of a perfunctory parceling-up of several distinct stories. Flimsy unity is conjured by this device:

John Turner, a somewhat dishonest ex-officer, visits a Harley-street specialist who gives him less than a year to live.

Turner decides to spend his last months looking for three men who were kind to him while he was in hospital during the war. All of these men had been in trouble of one kind or another. A RAF officer had married the wrong sort of girl. An American neuro-soldier was charged with attempted rape. And so forth.

There are good things in the book; but good things do not make a novel. This book does not march.

Eldred Figg, hero of Michael Harrison's *THIRDAVILL* (Langdon, 8s. 6d.), is the perfect prig. He no longer loathes his preposterous father, he loves the old horror, with a sleek, self-admiring love. He patronises his fellow-soldiers. Why he is not dropped over the side of that troopship is a mystery. And nobly, insufferably he stays in the ranks when practically the whole High Command is begging him to take a commission.

WEEK-END QUIZ

1. Do the ends of Stalin's moustache turn up or down?
2. In tennis, what is a lob?
3. What is the derivation of the word "helicopter"?
4. Who wrote the novel, "The Constant Nymph"?
5. During World War II we used radar and the atomic bomb. Which cost more to produce?
6. What is the freezing point of alcohol?
7. Who was nicknamed "Poor Noll"?
8. What is a Dewar flask?
9. Can fish make sounds?
10. Cockatoos are native to what region?
11. In what century did men begin wearing short hair?
12. According to the official exchange rate, how many United States dollars will you get for £1 sterling?

Answers on Page 12

Skeleton Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

1. How to get one's own back at a fellow? (4 letters)
10. Deductive logic is perfectly faulty inside.
11. Do you want a drink badly? Try this, for a change!
12. A step to try on a cook sometimes.
14. I shaved on a field when matched, when matched, when matched, when matched.
16. It's found on an island for an anchorite.
17. One's Eskimo.
18. The sterilization of Iran.
20. The big industrialist in certain not only in a way.
21. I go to this naturally for port.
22. Though only a summary it has some volume.
23. To do this in the dentist's surgery may be very painful.
24. It suggests, strong, someone socks the hard way.

CLUES DOWN

4. Strictly speaking it's not just for show only.
6. One is confused in the uproar.
7. What one might expect to be associated with a mink's look.
8. Gains some columns, shall we say?

5. It's prison for her when she's well.
9. Mixed blood means (two words).
13. Muscovite cayenne? (two words).
15. Though he's watchful, one might say, he makes a bad sentry.
19. Form of alias for Czar?
25. Gave, perhaps, to mortal.
26. In Idaho territory it's far from cold.
27. I got all confused with the coat, though indifferent as to its outcome.
28. Gives Americans a pull.
29. It once came between Edison and a record.
30. Less than half constructed, it is regretted.

IN this crossword the black squares and clue numbers, as well as the words, are left for the solver to fill in. Four black squares and four clue numbers have been inserted to give you a start.

The pattern formed by the black squares is symmetrical; the top half of the pattern matches the bottom half and the two sides correspond. So you can fill in 10 more black squares at once to correspond with those given.

Since there is no 1 down the second square from the left in the second line, and the three corresponding ones on the right side. As there are both down and across clues for 10 and 22 the squares immediately above those containing these numbers must also be black ones.

Except in phrases, words of less than three letters are not used.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

RUSSIAN, ZEPHYR, CHROME, EYE, PARISH, NEARLY, HEADMAN, RA, EPIA, GRILL, THASSE, CLAMP, CRESS, PO, NITRO, BASHORE, OCEAN, THRIFT, TENDED

SPARE MOMENTS PAGE

NEWS SHORTS:

WONDER BOY WAS LEFT WONDERING

Paris.—Danny Kaye that morning lived a dream. He dreamed he landed in the daylight of Paris and was unrecognised, unheard of, un-greeted. In short there was no milling mob of fans. It was no dream. It was life. Not a single autograph hunter pushed a grubby pencil and paper forward, no crowd of pretty girls surging forward and calling his name. Danny Kaye stood at the top of the ladder leading to his aircraft at 11.10 a.m. on March 14 at Le Bourget, where he had landed from London, and gazed down on one impersonal looking student, a few friends and only half a dozen photographers. The American cinema star who took London by storm remained unsorted of. "We have been too busy with the Marshall plan talks," said one French newspaper.

BARGAIN HUNT

Ottawa.—Americans are "raiding" shops in Canadian border towns to escape the higher prices for everything. Items charged in their own country. In Port Huron, Ontario, business is booming due to the influx of Buffalo housewives on shopping tours. Every week-day they cross the border in cars, buses and on foot to load up with such essentials as eggs, butter, meat and bread and other groceries. Although food is the main item purchased by Americans, British woollens run a close second. Several of the large stores figure 50 percent of their total sales are to Americans, with each United States visitor allowed to take back £1.5s. worth of groceries. Families up to 10 frequently cross the border in search of Canadian bargains.

UNIONLY HOPES

Moscow.—Pravda's name for the Western Bloc is the "Holy Alliance." It describes Churchill, Stalin, Marshall, Schuman and Sforza as at the cradle of a still-born child plotting against the freedom of the European peoples. "It is a delayed action bomb which will blow up in their own faces," said the paper.

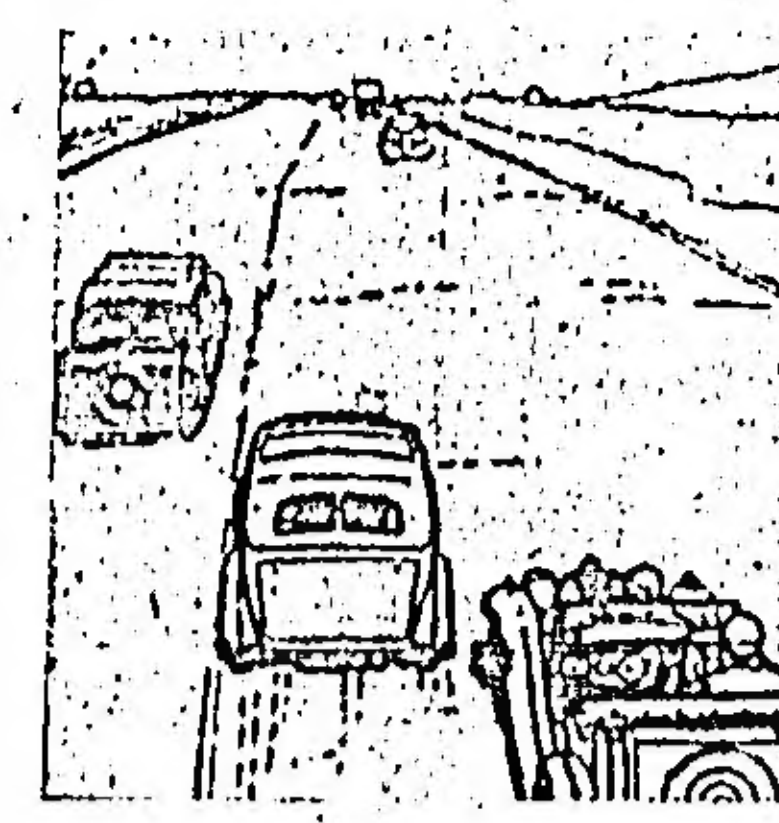
FISHY

New York.—Newsweek magazine thinks it has discovered why all American Presidential candidates nose as skilled fishermen. Any man looks good beside a fish.

WATER OF JORDAN

Jerusalem.—An Arab plan to deny water to the 90,000 Jews of Jerusalem after British rule ends on May 15 has become practicable thanks to the heaviest rainfall of the year in Jerusalem. The cistern in every Arab backyard is now brim full. One giant water cistern beneath the Mosque of Omar which dates back to Roman times already holds enough water to last the Arab population of the city through the hot summer months. The Arabs say they can now destroy the pipelines which bring fresh water across the Arab territory to Jerusalem, without loss to themselves, but with grievous consequences to the Jews, who have no cisterns and depend entirely on the pipelines.

ROAD SENSE . . . (2)



The dark car, using the centre line to steer by, is causing overtaking traffic to invade the wrong side of the road.

JESTS AND JEERS

A councillor the other day suggested improvements for our mental home. What, are we to encourage more immigrants?

It's commendable to face life with your chin up, unless you're a prize-fighter.

In the footprints on the sands of time, some people leave only the marks of a heel.

Then there's the story of the young composer who thought whisky might bring inspiration, and couldn't get beyond the first two bars.

Overheard in the cinema: "Are they well to do?" "No, they're hard to do."

First Farmer: What's ailing that old hen of yours?
Second Farmer: Shell shock. Ducks came out of the eggs she'd been sitting on.

NEW RECORDS

DENIS Martin, who appears in "Tuppence Coloured" sings "Galway Bay" and "Terence's Farewell" on his first record. With more assurance he should go far (Parlophone R. 3058).

A new and original version of "Tea For Two" is presented with real showmanship by Joe Mooney and his Quartet (Brunswick 03785). But the pick of the latest issues in lighter vein is Phil Harris and his Orchestra in "The Dark Town Poker Tree." This record is good value in every way (HMV BD.1170).

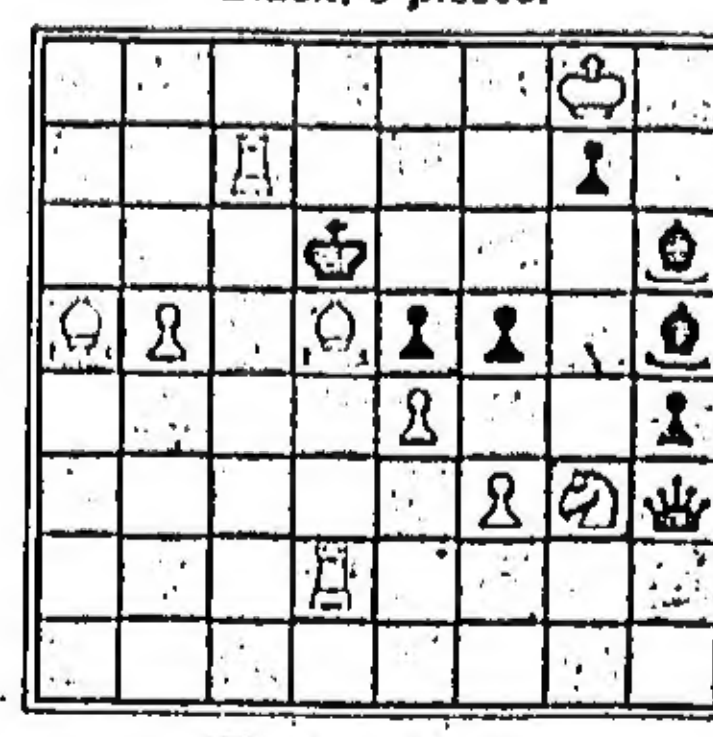
ROBERT TREDINNICK



CHESS PROBLEM

By E. E. ZEPLER (BCF Tourney 53)

Black, 8 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.

White to play and mate in three. Solution to yesterday's problem: 1. Kt x7, any; 2. Q, R, B (dbl ch). Kt, or P mates.

SCIENCE SHORT:

NEW DRUGS TO FIGHT DISEASE

By PAUL F. ELLIS

A NEW drug, developed in England, is passing preliminary tests as a weapon against epidemics of whooping cough. The compound, known as aerosporin, is produced by bacteria that infect the soil.

Dr Peter Regina Brooklyn, in a report, told of preliminary tests with the new drug in the treatment of whooping cough. "Satisfactory responses have been obtained," he said.

Dr Regina also reported that another new drug, known as chloromycin, is winning laurels as a weapon against disease. This drug also is produced by bacteria from soil.

He said that chloromycin already has been found effective against typhus, but that the U.S. Army plans to make further tests in the Far East this spring.

Dr Regina said that while research on new drugs is progressing, "successful attempts have been made to improve penicillin and streptomycin."

By combining penicillin with procaine, or novocaine, he said, chemists have produced a drug which can be injected with virtually no pain. It also has a prolonged effect, sometimes lasting in the body for 24 hours. Penicillin given alone, usually is excreted within 12 hours. "Such diseases as gonorrhea and syphilis, which require maintenance of a high level of penicillin in the bloodstream, can be effectively treated with procaine penicillin at a fraction of the cost that would be incurred with other forms of the drug," he said.—United Press.

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Squeeze Boosts 11 Tricks to Thirteen

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

LOOKING at today's hand I do not think you would want to be in a slam, especially with the king of spades wrong and West holding the ace of hearts. Nevertheless Mrs Charlton Wallace, one of the winners of the women's national team-of-four championship, made seven on this hand, thereby winning the match for her team.

West elected to make the spade opening, which Mrs Wallace (South) won in dummy with the queen. She then cashed the ace, king and queen of clubs, and started on the long string of diamonds, on which she discarded all of her hearts. She was left with the black ace-jack of spades, while in dummy

♠ Q6	♥ K	♦ AKQ8832	♣ 976
♠ K1042	♥ A53	♦ W N E	♣ 08773
♠ 97	♥ 1084	♠ Dealer	♣ J532
Mrs. Wallace			
♠ AJ5			
♥ J1097			
♦ 1064			
♣ AKQ			
Tournament—Neither vul.			
South	West	North	East
1♣	Pass	1♦	Pass
1NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Opening—4-2			

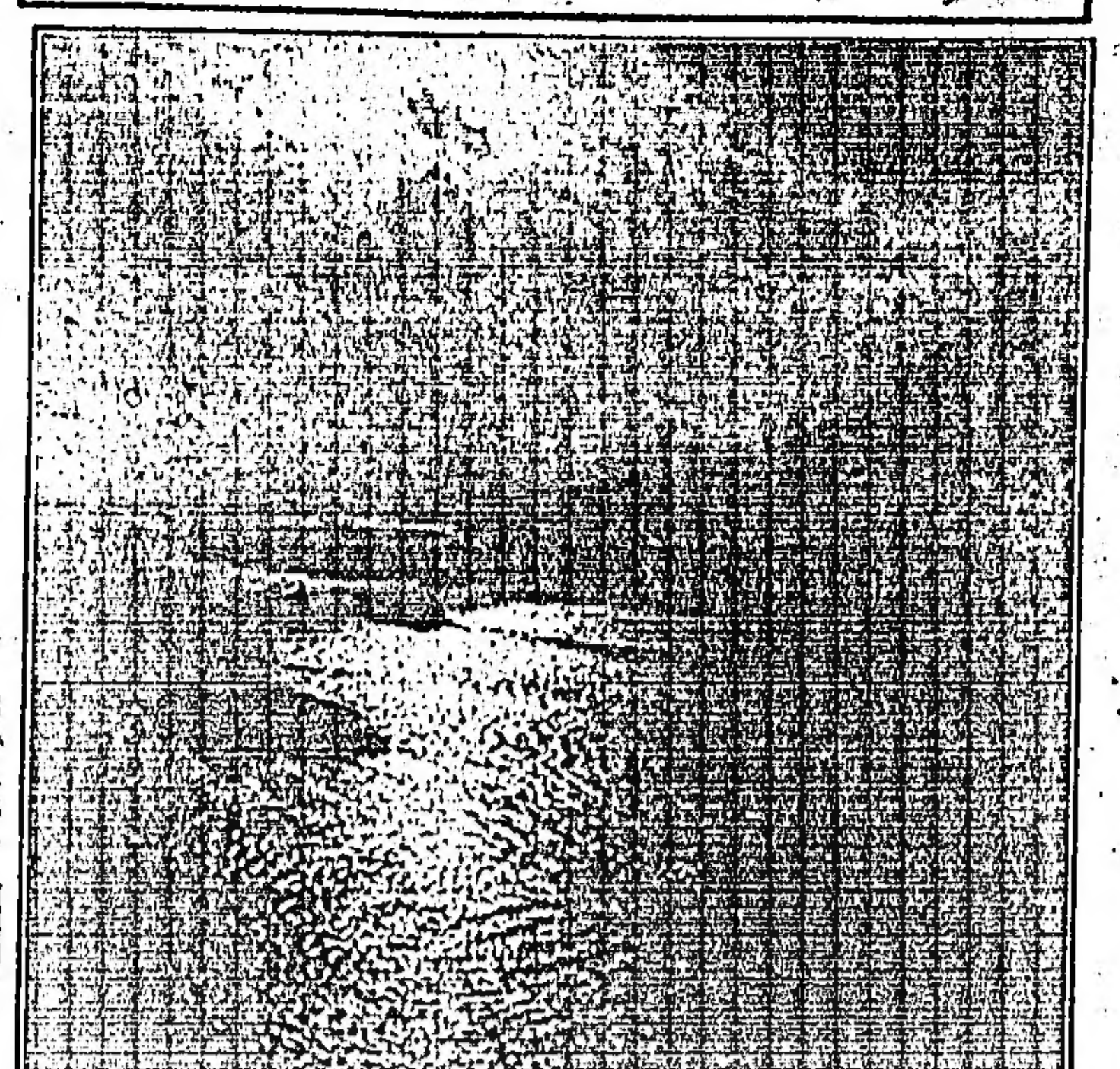
she had a singleton spade and the king of hearts.

West was marked with the king of spades by the fact that East had not covered the queen on the first trick. You can see the predicament in which West found herself. She had to hold the ace of hearts, or the king in dummy would be good. The only thing she could do was to blank down to the king of spades and hope that her partner had the jack.

But Mrs Wallace led the small spade from dummy, went up with the ace, and won the thirteenth trick with the jack of spades.

A small heart opening would have held the hand to six, while the ace of hearts opening would have held it to five, as the ace would pick up the singleton king and East's queen would be high for trick two.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD



Shot by moonlight? No, this picture was taken late in the afternoon with the camera pointed toward the sun.

MOONLIGHT ON ORDER

SEVERAL years ago while vacationing at a small lake in the Adirondacks, I made a series of time exposures of the lake and the mountains by moonlight.

After the film was developed and printed, I discovered that what had been a full, round moon appeared in my prints as an oval. This was caused by the relative movement of the moon and the earth during the time the shutter had been open. Had I shot from a different angle, so that the moon did not appear in the viewfinder, this fault would have been avoided. But there are simpler ways to obtain "moonlight effects"—and by day.

Certainly anyone looking at the snapshot reproduced here would think it was made by moonlight. Actually it was made at 4.30 on a late November afternoon. Still, it has all the beauty of a moonlight scene—deep, black shadows and brilliant highlights.

Such shots are especially effective for marine views or snow scenes and can easily be made without special equipment. To make them, wait until the sun is low in the sky and shoot toward the sun. Be careful, however, to make sure that the sun's rays don't fall on your lens. This can be done by waiting until the sun itself is behind a cloud, by interposing an object between the sun and the lens, or simply by shading the lens with a hat or your hand so that the lens is in shadow.

Moonlight effects are usually made best with the sun fairly low in the sky and, as mentioned, to the front of rather than behind the camera. You simply underexpose to eliminate all shadow detail. A snapshot with the smallest opening with a simple single-lens or box-type camera, if the light is bright, will do the trick. With folding cameras or those that have various shutter settings try 1/100 at f/16 or f/22. The contrast between the solid blacks and the brilliant highlights—as in silhouette shots—provides your moonlight effects.

John van Guilder

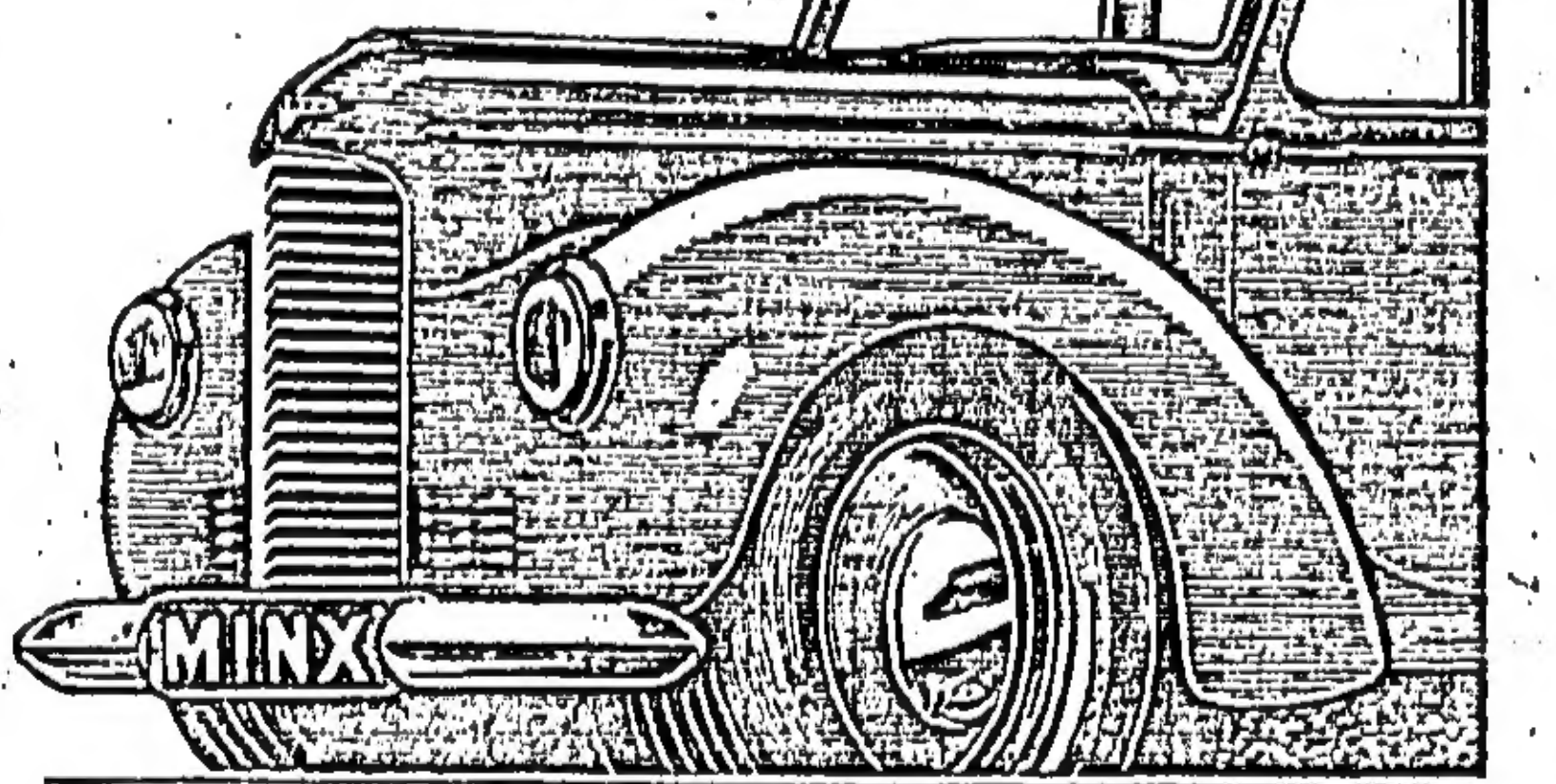


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NANCY The New Look



By Ernie Bushmiller



Conflict Over Russo-Finnish Military Pact

Helsinki, Apr. 2.—A conflict between the President, Government and Parliament over military clauses of the proposed Russo-Finnish security pact today brought members of the Finnish delegation flying back to Helsinki from Moscow.

BLOC AGAINST CLAIM BY GUATEMALA

Bogota, Apr. 2.—General George Marshall, U.S. Secretary of State, held private conferences here today with the Pan-American Conference delegates from Venezuela and Argentina, both strong supporters of the resolution against European colonialism in the Western Hemisphere.

These two meetings with Senor Bettancourt, leader of the Venezuelan delegation, and with Senor Juan Stillo Brumaglia, the Argentine Foreign Minister were the first American moves to build up a bloc against the Guatemalan intention to press her claims for British Honduras.

The Argentine claims in the Antarctic are reported to have come up in the discussion. Latin American interest in colonial problems has been overshadowed temporarily by the United States declaration that there will be no Marshall Plan for this hemisphere.

In any case, the Conference position on the colonial problem was in doubt today because of the impending United Nations General Assembly session, called for April 10, to discuss Palestine.

Many leading delegates will probably have to leave here to attend that meeting and it is generally assumed that Gen. Marshall will return to Washington at that time.

Many subjects will have to be passed on, it is believed, to another Pan-American meeting to be held later this year.—Reuter.

Poland Steps Up Trade With Britain

Warsaw, Apr. 2.—Poland, rapidly stepping up trade with Britain, is starting the shipment of 20,000 tons of potatoes to the United Kingdom this month.

Lucjan Horowitz, Director of Planning and Co-ordination in the Ministry of Industry and Trade, told a press conference that the Poles are also sending Britain 7,000,000 pounds worth of essential foodstuffs, including 14,000 tons of bacon and "millions" of eggs.

Horowitz predicted that bacon shipments would be doubled in 1949.

He said that the Poles had agreed at the recent London conference to raise exports from £6,500,000 to £11,000,000 this year. Imports are expected to aggregate £10,000,000, exclusive of capital goods. He forecast a total of £250,000,000 trade turnover in Poland in 1948, doubling the 1947 figure.

Horowitz said America's new system of restrictions on export licences for Russia and countries in her orbit was likely to cause "certain complications" for Poland's economy, but the situation was not yet clearly defined. He added that any prohibition under the Marshall plan of Britain reshipping American goods would not affect Poland, since "what we are buying in the United Kingdom are British made products."

He added that Poland is always ready to take trade pacts with the United States, but exports licensing restrictions were "not a conducive atmosphere" for a move in that direction.—Associated Press.

TEACHING IS MAN'S JOB

Scarborough, Apr. 2.—The teaching of boys is a man's job, not a woman's, the National Association of Schoolmasters unanimously decided at their conference here today.

Mr. D. N. Thomas, of London, moving a resolution to this effect, declared there were 3,217 boys' classes under the charge of women teachers. "These avaricious hordes of women have already staked their claim in our field and the sooner they are smoked out the better it will be for the boys of this country."

Another delegate told of a school in Yorkshire where a woman school-teacher was in charge of a football team as trainee masters were not considered suitable.—Reuter.

WINNERS IN 'OSCAR' DERBY



Taylor-Franco Talks Start Many Rumours

Madrid, Apr. 2.—Although neither the press nor anyone has disclosed Thursday night's meeting between Generalissimo Franco and Myron Taylor, President Truman's personal representative at the Vatican, unconfirmed rumours raced through Madrid today that Taylor discussed Spain's position in the event of an armed clash between the East and West.

Taylor and the United States Embassy were both silent. The U.S. Charge D'Affaires, Paul Culbertson, who was excluded from the interview by Franco himself, told correspondents today that he did not know the subject of the conversation.

The official wall of secrecy thrown around Taylor's visit and the Franco interview is fertile ground for a crop of rumours.

Those who profess knowledge point out that Robert Bell, a U.S. War Department official assigned to accompany Taylor, was present at the meeting. Their version, which could be fabricated or the result of some hint dropped by official circles, is that Taylor sought to learn what Spain would do in case of war. Their version of the reply was that Spain would adopt a policy of non-belligerency unless attacked.

Rumour had it that Ceuta, which juts out from Spanish Morocco opposite Gibraltar, also figured in the conversations.

Taylor continued his conference for the second day today. During the morning he conferred lengthily with Cayetano Icaza, Papal Nuncio to Madrid, and later he was the guest at luncheon of the Foreign Minister, Alberto Martin Arriola, at the Minister's official residence. Other guests included Culbertson and Edward F. Moffitt, U.S. Embassy Secretary.

The luncheon was to conclude the official programme. Taylor and Bell leave by air on Saturday.—Associated Press.

Madrid, Apr. 2.—The strictest reserve was being maintained here today about last night's talks between Myron Taylor, President Truman's personal representative at the Vatican, and General Franco, which, at General Franco's last

Proudly holding their gold 'Oscars' are the five principal winners in Motion Picture Academy Award presentations in Hollywood. Left to right: Darryl Zanuck, producer of the best picture, "Gentleman's Agreement"; Edmund Gwenn, best supporting actor; Loretta Young, best actress; Ronald Coleman, best actor; and Celeste Holm, best supporting actress. (AP Wirephoto)

RUSSIANS OBJECT TO DUCHESS

Copenhagen, Apr. 2.—The independent newspaper, Information, reported today that the Grand Duchess Olga, youngest daughter of the Russian Czar Alexander III, is leaving Denmark because the Soviet Union has charged that she has actively aided Soviet refugees to resist repatriation.

An earlier report said that the Grand Duchess and her family, who have lived in Denmark for many years, would shortly leave the country for England and would later migrate to Canada. The announcement said she was selling her estates because of the serious European political situation.

Information said a Soviet note to Denmark charged that the Duchess Olga was connected with a group who aided the escape of Russian refugees in Denmark whose extradition was demanded by Moscow on "war criminal" charges. The paper said Denmark rejected the Soviet note.

The Foreign Office has declined to comment upon the dispatch, which was attributed only to "informed circles," but has indicated that an official statement will be issued later.

Grand Duchess Olga, her husband, Colonel Nikolai Kulikoff, and their two sons, who are officers in the Danish Army, are expected to leave Denmark for England within a few days.—United Press.

ADVOCATES U.S. CONSCRIPTION

Washington, Apr. 2.—The Defence Secretary, Mr. James Forrestal, formally asked Congress today to adopt universal military training and to conscript men from 19 to 26 years of age for military service.

His message was given to the Senate Armed Services Committee, and immediately afterwards General Eisenhower appeared to give evidence before the Committee.

He told the Senators that the United States "cannot live as an island of democracy in a surrounding sea of dictatorship."

It was absolutely necessary for the United States to strengthen her armed forces for self-defence, he said.—Reuter.

LORD BALDWIN'S ESTATE

London, Apr. 2.—Stanley Baldwin, three times Prime Minister between the two World Wars, left net estate of £277,407, probate of his will disclosed today.

Created Earl Baldwin of Bewdley in 1937, he died last December at the age of 80.

Death duties totalled £139,184. Lord Baldwin left undiscovered amounts as marriage settlements for two of his four daughters and the bulk of his estate to his two sons, Oliver Ridsdale Baldwin, who succeeded to the title, and Arthur.

The sons were also granted probate.—Associated Press.

Heavy Punishment For Profiters

Moscow, Apr. 2.—Two men, who sold meat for more than the official price, were sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment each by a Moscow court today.

The Soviet paper Bolshhevik, reporting this, said instructions had been given for a vigorous prosecution of all who defrauded customers.

One woman was sentenced to five years for giving short weight.—Reuter.

Truman Vetoes Tax Cuts

Washington, Apr. 2.—President Harry Truman today vetoed a proposal to reduce American taxes by \$4,800,000,000.

In a message to Congress Truman said that the Republican-sponsored measure, the Federal Income Tax Reduction Bill, would "undermine the soundness of our government finances at a time when world peace depends upon the strength of the United States."

The President gave two reasons for his veto—it would reduce revenues to an extent as to make a deficit likely, and would increase the danger of inflation.

Congressional leaders had anticipated the veto, and were ready for a quick vote to try to pass the bill over Truman's disapproval.

That requires two-thirds vote of the House and Senate. Leaders said they had the necessary votes and plenty to spare.—Associated Press.

LOAN TO JAPAN HELD UP

Tokyo, Apr. 2.—The Japanese Prime Minister, Hiroshi Ashida, said today that the discussion of a loan by the United States to Japan has been held up by labour unrest and recommended the passage of legislation to outlaw strikes.

Addressing the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Lower House, the Prime Minister said he wished to see the enactment of a labour law similar to the Taft-Hartley Act passed by the United States Congress last summer.

After that, perhaps the proposed loan of \$180,000,000 to Japan would come up for discussion, he said.—Reuter.

Cancer Cure Claim Unsubstantiated

Sydney, Apr. 2.—The cancer claims of John Braund, a 78-year-old unqualified medical man, are unsubstantiated, a committee of investigation, set up by the New South Wales Government, reported here today.

A medical sub-committee examined six of Braund's patients and found that, on the evidence before them, there was no proof that he could cure cancer.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

WOMAN FOUND STABBED

The body of an unknown Chinese woman was discovered by passers-by on the staircase of 300, Portland Street, Shumshuipo, shortly after eight o'clock this morning.

The woman is believed to be about 25 years of age. Her identity has not yet been established. The Shumshuipo CID are investigating the suspected murder.

PALESTINE:

Serious Trouble Expected

Jerusalem, Apr. 2.—The Palestine Government expects "serious trouble" in the Holy City after Britain gives up the mandate on May 15, Mr. S. J. Jordan, British Commercial Agent in Palestine and chairman of the British Community Council in Jerusalem, told an audience of 150 Britons today.

The Government considers it advisable that those Britons with "no roots" in the Holy Land should evacuate, and named April 15 as the last day on which the Government would be prepared to offer shipping and transport facilities to quit Palestine.

Outlining the precautions drawn up to safeguard the lives of Britons who are remaining in Jerusalem after the termination of the mandate, Mr. Jordan said the city would be divided into four zones with a permanent radio link between the zones.

The first radio tests would be made within the next seven days and all Britons are advised to remain close to their radios.

Emergency food and fuel supplies, sufficient to last the British community in Jerusalem, two or three months, have been organised as a security precaution in the event of the Holy City becoming a "battleground" after the withdrawal of the British civil and military administrations, which is scheduled to begin on May 15.

The British Community Council will also have a high-powered transmitter capable of beaming messages to the outside world.—Reuter.

OUTWARD MAILS

Unless otherwise stated, registered articles and parcel posts close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail, and parcels will close at 5 p.m. the previous day.

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WEEK-END QUIZ

Answers
1. Down. 2. A ball which travels in a high curve. 3. It comes from the Greek words "spiral" and "wing". 4. Margaret Kennedy. 5. Radar, as £700,000,000 was spent on its development, which is half again as much as was spent on the atomic bomb. 6. 203 degrees below zero Fahrenheit. 7. Oliver Goldsmith. 8. A vacuum flask so named because Dewar devised it for use in laboratories. 9. Yes, they can grunt, toot, chirp, click, rattle, hum and drum. 10. Australia and the Malay Archipelago. 11. In the fifth century. 12. Four dollars.

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AND NOTICE is also given that the Share Transfer Registers will be closed from 30th March, 1948 to 3rd April, 1948, both days inclusive.

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R. A. WICKERSON,
Managing Director,
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